Read THE FREEMAN and Keep Posted on the DOINGS of the RACE.
AGENTS WANTED Everywhere.

AND ETHIOPIA SHALL STRETCH FORTH HER HAND

The Freeman

A NATIONAL ILLUSTRATED COLORED NEWSPAPER

Public Library 1 0 2

VOLUME XV.
NUMBER 8.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1902.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.
SINGLE COPY--SIX MONTHS, 85c ; ONE YEAR, $1.50

IMPORTANT POINTS

GREAT EVENTS IN THE SUBURBAN DISTRICTS.

THE WINDY CITY BY THE LAKES

Budget of News Gathered by a Staff Representative--Society and Local Interests to the Readers of The Freeman.

Chicago, Ill., Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. Agnes P. Martin, of 3552 Forest avenue, has gone to Cleveland, O., to visit relatives.

Rev. A. L. Murray, pastor of Bethel A. M. E. church, has returned to the city after several week's sojourn in Florida.

Mrs. Carrie Howard and Ada Washington of 3849 Dearborn street, are on the sick list. Mrs. Lizzie Riley, of 3828 Dearborn street, was on the sick list last week. P. Daley, of Dearborn and Thirty-sixth street, was quite ill last week.

W. H Dean, formerly a student in Kent Law School, is now in Cape Town, South Africa. Mr. Dean writes that he is doing well in Cape Town and will return to the States in the spring to finish his course in law.

Owing to the small pox epidemic in Iowa, the railroads have issued orders for all employes to be vaccinated.

The Freeman is the best colored paper published. Are you a subscriber?

A new organization, known as the Dearborn Centre club, has been organized at the Institutional church by Mrs. Ransome. The club is on the literary order and aims to support the kindergarten. It meets once a week at which time a collation is served after the meeting is over.

The Gates Ajar will give a grand ball at Central hall on Easter Monday night. This will be the finest Easter ball of the season. Full particulars later.

Mrs. Madeline Jones, of 4828 Armour avenue, has been quite sick but is much improved at this writing. Mrs. A. Smith, of 4764 Dearborn street, is quite feeble. Mrs. Smith is nearly 95 years old.

Joshua Temple No. 88, Knights of Tabor, gave a very successful entertainment at Taborian hall Monday evening, the 17th inst.

Mrs. Branch died at 3147 Dearborn street last week. She was a member of Bethel church, where the funeral was held, Rev. Cary officiating.

W. Forest Cozart, The Freeman representative, has removed from 253 Twenty ninth street to 3138 Armour avenue, second flat.

T. Thomas Fortune, editor of the New York Age, spent several days in the city this week. Mr. Fortune had just returned from St. Louis on business connected with the Exposition. Mr. Fortune is favorably mentioned as the probable successor to Minister Powell, who is minister to Hayti.

Editor Wilkins, of the Conservator, was knocked down and painfully injured while crossing the street one day last week, by an iron rod extending from the rear of a wagon

Col. John Marshall and John Johnson returned to the city after a very pleasant trip to New Orleans.

Mrs. B. B. Caloway, of 3552 Forest avenue, has returned home after two weeks sojourn in Cleveland, O., Detroit and Niles, Mich.

The Banquet Whist club met at the home of Mrs. Simms, 478 State street, last Thursday evening, and as usual was well attended.

The Grand United Order of True Reformers gave an entertainment at Olive Baptist church last Tuesday evening. During the day a first class dinner was served at the church.

The Senatorial campaign is growing warm and it begins to look as though Senator Mason will be returned. Senator Mason is, and always has been, a friend to the colored people, and we hope to see him returned to the Senate.

NORTH SIDE NOTES.

The Afro American Republican club of the Twenty-first ward, is in line and better organized than ever before. W. H. Presley, the new president, is the right man in the right place. Mr. Presley is going to see that several members of his club secures a good job. Heretofore the boys have been neglected when jobs were given out.

Last Sunday was quarterly meeting at Wayman Chapel. Rev. Carey, of Quinn Chapel, preached at 3 p. m., and Rev. H. H. Thompson, P. E., in the evening.

The Freeman is on sale every Saturday at Geo. Groves' barber shop, 65 Wendel street, and at Martin's barber shop, 267 Clark street.

The Young Ladies' North Side Guild club meets every Saturday at 206 Wells street.

The concert given at Herman church last Friday evening could have been better.

J. W. Wise and Miss Maudie Thornton were united in marriage on the 7th inst., by Rev. Daniels at the parsonage.

If all reports are true, there is a storm brewing among the colored politicians of the Twenty-third ward. C. Hughes is the leader of the South End faction, while a prominent member of the Hannibal club is the leader of the North End clans.

W. Orvent and Claude Williams were tried and convicted for burglary last week. Orvent pleaded guilty and swore that Williams was not implicated in the crime. Orvent was given an intermediate sentence to the penitentiary and Williams was given thirty-one days in jail for keeping bad company. Williams is well known and well liked on the Northside, and we hope that he will be more careful about whom he associates with in the future.

The Twenty-third Ward Colored Club, or rather one of the Twenty-third Ward colored clubs held a meeting at 135 N. Clark street on Monday evening. Mr. C Hughes is president of the club that met. The boys of the Twenty-third are very much divided, but it is hoped that a compromise will be effected. We look to Col. Steve Hayes to bring both factions under the white wings of peace.

News Items

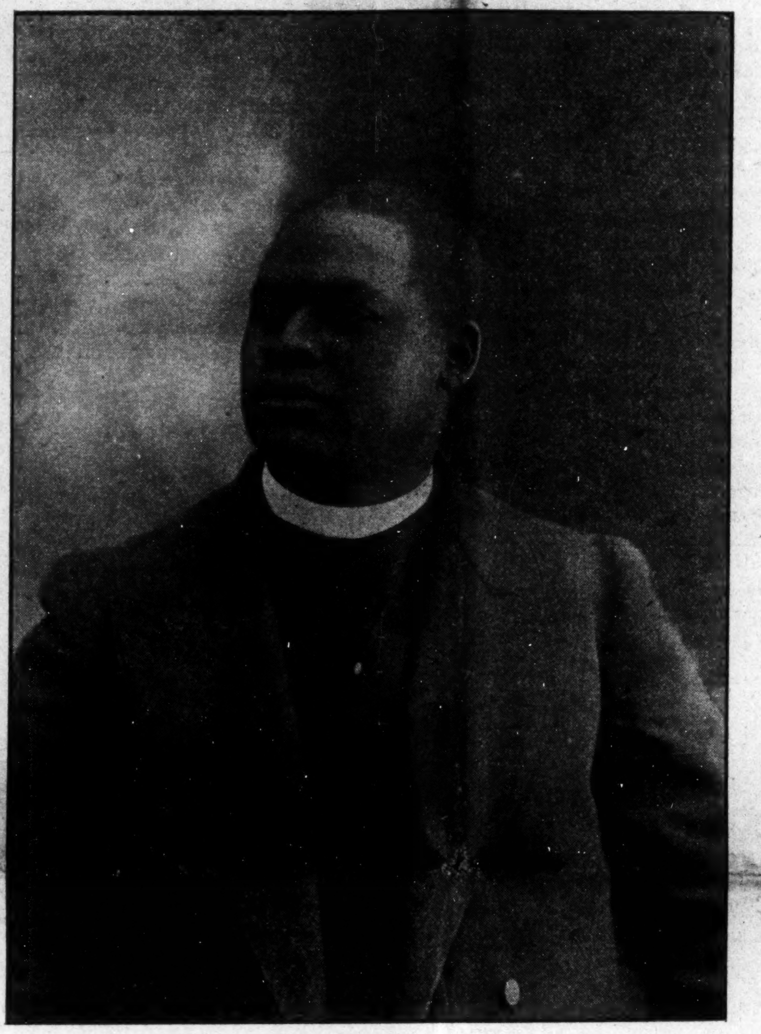
Memphis, Tenn., Special.—Christian Mission, Charity, Department and Industrial School for colored people, at Memphis is chratered under the law of the State of Tennessee. Two car loads of coal have been donated by J. B. Atkinson, president of the St. Bernard Coal company, Earlington, Ky. and Mr. I. Bailey, secretary and general manager of the Reinecke Coal company, Madisonville, Ky. The coal has been distributed to the poor and helpless. We hope in the near future through the help of the friends of the cause to have the charity department in a condition to be more helpfull to the needy, especially in the winter time. Rev, Thomas A. Brown, M. D is president of the Board. Miss Chrissie Taylor of Bolivar Tenn., who was the guest of Mrs. Lizzie Young of 72 Marshall Ave., has returned to her home. Mrs. Susie Persley left last week for New Orleans to attend the Mardi Gras carnival. From there she will go to the Gulf for two weeks. On her return she will stop at Shreveport, La, Mobile Ala. and Hot Springs Ark. We are glad to know that Mr. Issible who has been confined to his bed for two weeks is up again. Why don't our race leading Negroes of the city stay away from places where they are not wanted nor recognized and stop going around and blowing about what we are going to do and what we should do, etc. We say, go and do something and we will see what you are doing.

News Items.

Lake City, Fla. Special.—Bishop Handy preached at the A. M. E. church Monday night to a large audience after which Mrs. Handy gave an interesting talk on mission work. P. E. Gillislee will hold his quarterly conference at the A. M. E church Sunday. Rev. Sivals and his people are getting ready for conference. Rev. Cornelius, pastor 2nd Baptist church preached a good sermon Sunday night. Mrs. Mary Martin has returned from Lakeland, Fla., where she has been visiting her daughter Mrs. Iola I. Simmons. Dr S. W. Jefferson is in our town and we trust that his patronage will be sufficient to induce him to stay. Mr. and Mrs. Mattox entertained Dr. Jefferson and Miss Willie F. Lillian Martin Wednesday evening. Arbor day was observed by the school. They planted many trees which, we trust will grow and gladden their youthful hearts.

Illinois Items

Springfield, Ill., Special.—Fred Beck, who killed his wife last November, was sentenced to fifteen years in the penitentiary at Chester, Ill. Mr. Anderson is back at his old stand in the Leland cafe. The St. Paul church has just closed a five week's revival. The Grand Order of Twelve held memorial services at St. Paul last Friday evening in memory of Moses Dickson, the founder of the order. Rev. Burton delivered a very able eulogy. The Culture club, on Sunday, Feb. 16th, had a very interesting and instructive session. The music and solos were excellent. The participants deserve praise.



REV. J. M. CONNER, D. D.,

General Manager of World's Fair Movement of Arkansas, Negro Department, President of Business Men's League of Little Rock, Ark.

Following are a few of the many compliments paid to Rev J. M. Conner while on a visit to Mississippi and other points:

"We reached this place in time to visit the North Mississippi A. M. E. conference Bishop Tyree gave us an introduction. Here we met Drs Connor, Leak, Taylor and a number of other distinguished men of the race Dr. Connor, the coming bishop, assisted Bishop Tyree As a presiding officer Dr. Connor has no peer. His rulings were timely. The General conference will make no mistake by electing him bishop."—Colored Citizen.

Drs Taylor, Connor, Dangerfield, Lampton and Rev. Stepteau did good service. Dr. Connor preached one of those God-fire sermons on the second day of the conference. The editor of the Horn quaked for fear as he had to follow on the third day at 3 p. m. My faith! I never saw Connor's tracks; he is a great preacher!—Louisiana Horn.

Elder Connor was a welcome visitor to our city this week, greeting his old friends who are legions here The doctor is well beloved here, having been the presiding elder of Vicksburg district of the A. M E church and while here made many warm friends. He is now located in Little Rock, Ark.

He is attending the annual conferences of Mississippi and Louisiana. He is a formidable candidate for the position of Bishop in the A. M. E. church We hope to see him reach the goal of his ambition, as he is worthy of it, being an able and competent man, a ripe scholar and would be a credit to the church and connection. The doctor has charge of the Negro department of Arkansas exhibits at the St. Louis World's Fair. He is also president of the Colored Men's Business League of Little Rock Ark, with a capital of $200,000 The Blade wishes the doctor success in all his undertakings. He left Wednesday morning to attend the North Louisiana Conference.—Pythian Blade.

The Springfield representative of The Freeman wishes to inform its readers that he was sick and unable to get the paper here on the 8th. Lawyer Barnett, of Chicago, was in the city on business recently. The K of P.'s have organized and gave their first installation last Tuesday evening at Carpenter hall. The Freeman can be found on sale at Thompson's grocery, Lee's barber shop or at the Leland hotel.

Items of Interest.

Brookport, Ill., Special.—Gus Warren the popular chief cook on the steamer Tennessee returned to Florence Ala., last week. Mr. Jas Franklin the Freeman agent was in our city on business this week. I. H. Halsey general insurance agent was in our city on business this week. Mrs. Mattie Shelton has returned. Daniel Rodgers is Justice of the Peace in Brookport. He is a prominent colored man and fills his position with credit. Miss Estelle Gardner and Mrs. Ada Green highly entertained the Freeman representative at their home lass Monday. Mr. John Carr operates a sample room and restaurant and does a good business.

Missouri News Items.

Ironton, Mo., Special.—There has been severe weather and a great deal of sickness the past week. J. C. Staten and Elsie Wilburn attended an initiation of the Knights of Pythias at Farmington, Mo., Saturday night. Mr. Henry Spears and Miss Tina Blanks were married at the home of relatives, Mr. and Mrs. John Anthony, Feb. 8. Arthur Williams, the crack trombonist, will be glad to fill an engagement with some good troupe. Address Ironton, Mo. L. Arnett mashed his foot Wednesday morning loading hub blocks, being struck by a falling block. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Blanks a daughter Feb. 8, 1902.

News.

Newport, Ill., Special.—M. C. Tucker is out again. E. E. Williams president of the Hod Carriers Union has accepted a job in the steel plant. Mr. Williams reads the Freeman.

Don't use superlatives They weaken rather than improve description.

A Worthy Young Man.

Syracuse, N. Y., Special.—William Holden, a promising and interesting young West Indian, who was brought to this city when quite a small boy, was employed by Mr. DeKline, the candy maker. He learned, by dilligent application to the duties assigned to him, to be one of the most proficient candy makers of the city. This statement can be verified by the large patronage that have enjoyed DeKline's delicious candies. Young Holden feeling that he desired to be more thorough in his work, went to Trenton, N. J., and went into the employ of a great candy establishment there to learn all the modern ideas so as to make his profession a success. After an absence of three years Mr. Holden has returned to Syracuse for the purpose of going into business for himself. The young man has a good chance to develop his business here since the times are calling for the best work in every vocation in life, and the man that does the best work is the one who will demand the trade. A free sleigh ride was given many of the children of the city Feb. 15th, by Mr. Van Alstine. Mrs. C. F. Bailey, secretary of the Philips Altar Guild society, has been confined to her room for a few weeks. Jack Hallint, of Toronto, Canada, is sojurning in the city.

Kentucky News.

Bowling Green, Ky., Special.—Mr. Abram Simpson's funeral was attended, on the 6th, from State Street Baptist church, by Revs. H. D. Carpenter and A. Williams. Mrs. Rev. Evans has joined her husband, who is pastor of the A M. E. church here. Profs. G. A. Jones and G. W. Jackson are calling frequently at the same house. They are twins. Miss Mary L. Porter was elected president of the Epworth League at College Street M. E. church. Henry H. Bothic says that he is growing too lonesome. His wife is teaching in Scottsville. Miss Maggie Warfield, who sustained painful bruises by a fall at the public school building, is, we are glad to note, out again. Rev, C. G. Fishback is in Kansas City, Mo., for ten days conducting a revival meeting. Rev. H. D. Carpenter is one of our leading pastors and moving things. Rev. H. W. Simmons went to Nashville with Miss Malinda, who went to have her eyes treated.

News Items.

Brinkley Ark. Special.—The weather is very cold. Every mill has closed down on that account and many a person is suffering for fuel. Only a few are working. Rev. and Mrs. J. N. Campbell attended the St. Paul S. S. on the 2nd inst. He is the ex-superintendent of the A. M. E. S. S. They were also out to the wedding Sunday evening at Mt. Zion Baptist church, of Mr. Pink Johnson and Hiss Hattie Stokes. Prof. W. E. Rooks is visiting our city. He has been at Holly Grove teaching school. Prof. J. P. was a visitor to our city last week. He has been teaching at Shady Grove. Rev. W. A. Monroe has just branched out into the Gospel, seemingly being newly converted. He will preach on the 16th at Brown's Chapel.

Dyersburg Notes.

Dyersburg, Tenn., Special.—The High school Lyceum which meets every Friday afternoon at 3 oclock, invites all friends. Thomas Johnson has been on the sick list but is able to be up again. C. W. Wells, a prominent young man of Union City is spending a few days with Mr. Robinson and friends. There were two young couples met at the home of Mrs. Pruett on last Thursday night and made up thier minds to try another life. The couples being Miss Octava Pruett to Theodore Lyte and Miss Date Bishop to Walter Pruett. Mr. Cross of Mississippi visited Miss Laddie Cowles on last week. Rev G. W. Wynne, had the pleasure of having with him last week his daughter of Cairo, Ill. Many friends gladly welcomed her.

Briefs.

Crawfordsville, Ind. Special.—There was a sewing circle organized at 2nd Baptist church with the following officers: Mrs. Lewis, pesident; Mrs. Emma Gipson, secretary. They expect to do much good in the future. Miss Annie Withrow has returned from an extensive visit in Connersville. James Wilson, Toney Wilson and Clifford Evans of Lafayette were in our city Sunday the guests of Misses Eva Johnson, Blanche and Gracie Patterson. Dick Eletcher, of Ft. Wayne Ind., has accept a position as second cook at the Crawford Mrs Hattie Williams has returned from a four weeks visit to Indianapolis. The Freeman is always on sale with C. H. Hunter, hotel Ramsey.

GOLDEN LEAF CLUB

GIVES A SWELL MASQUERADE BALL—WELL ATTENDED.

A VERITABLE HEAVEN ON EARTH.

A Lecture to Young Men who Make a Business of "Butting In" at Invitational Affairs Without a Card—A Week's Gleaning of Spicy News.

Cairo, Ill., Special.—The mask ball given Feb. 11th by the Golden Leaf club, was well attended. The music was furnished by Overly's band. Daniel Gaten, late trap drummer of Harrison Bros.' minstrel, would like to hear from Will Hopkins, at 1011 Washington avenue. Mrs. Mary Novel has gone to Champaign to reside with her mother. Have your nickle ready when the agent comes around. Mrs. J. Bundurant and little daughter will return soon from their visit South. Misses Jennie Hobbs and Lula Early, of Valley Deluse, are the guests of Mrs. Suella Walker, of Fourteenth street and Commercial avenue. Robert Carson is suffering from having stuck a nail in his foot. Miss Rachel Turner, of Cedar street, has been quite sick at her home for three weeks. A certain class of young men in this town make it their business to visit entainments when they know that cards were issued for the affair and that they did not receive one. Yet they will force themselves upon people. Young men, you should never go any place where you are not wanted. You should be manly enough to not visit an invitational function without a card. Small pox is raging in the city. Read The Freeman and you can tell what your friends are doing here and elsewhere. Miss Laura Sims has returned home after five weeks visit to her mother in Lueora, Ark. Mrs. Ida Noonon, of 328 Fifth street, was called to the death bed of her mother, Mrs. Josephine Jones, of Grand Tour, Ill. She was accompanied by her husband. Mrs. Dilcie Scott would like to hear from her sister, Hannah Scott. When last heard from she was in Vicksburg or Natchez, Miss. Her present name is Dilcie Humphrey, 614 Twenty first street. Mrs. Anna Oland, of 4006 Sycamore street, died Feb. 13th and was buried on the 14th. The Sewing Circle and Busy Workers will give a grand mask entertainment at Clany's hall Feb. 21st and 22d. An invitation is extended to all the good citizens of Cairo. James Wilson, of 216 Ninth street, will be home on the 22d to visit his wife and baby. G. Child keeps everything pertaining to the business in his first class sample room. Call on him at 513 Commercial avenue. Richard Taylor serves free lunch at his saloon every Saturday night. Everything is first class. Miss Mattie Turner and Mrs. Minnie Shaw are visiting friends in Murphysboro, Ill. Chas. Smith is still doing business at the same old stand, and desires your patronage when needing anything in the grocery line. Andrew Jackson furnishes meals at short order at his cafe, 3211 Commercial avenue. Meals to your order by Mrs. Maggie Picket, 12 Commercial ave. Misses Gertrude and Jessie Jenkins received regards from Miss Mahala Bradshaw and Clarence Dawson through The Freeman, and kindly return the same. They are both well and in school. Miss Hattie Turner and sister have returned from Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. Gus Kelly have moved to St. Louis, where they will reside. Beatie Birdsong died Feb. 14th. Mrs. Henry M. Holland, of 214 Twenty-ninth street, is on the sick list. Mrs. Hattie Smith, of St. Louis, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Bettie Griggs. Miss Azalie Dumas visited her mother, Mrs. Dumas, in this city on the 15th.

FUTRELL CITY NOTES.

It seems as if there is a heaven on earth, and that the citizens of this little village are enjoying it. They own their homes, their cows, chickens, turkeys, hogs, etc, and in fact, everything to make one happy. There are to be found in this little village some of the prettiest children in the world. There are fifty-two families and all are colored people except eight families. We have four churches, the Baptist, the A. M. E, the Free Will and First Free Will, and all are trying to see which can erect the neatest church edifice. Don't forget Commone's meat market. R. P. Futsell is still handling the best family groceries to be found anywhere. He solicits your trade. James Nar-

(CONTINUED ON FOURTH PAGE)

A PROMINENT DIVINE

Advises All Persons Suffering From Lost Manhood to Send for this Free Cure.

HAS THE OFFICIAL ENDORSEMENT

Of the U. S. Investigating Reports--The American Authority On All Matters of Public Welfare.

READ THIS OFFER.

ACCEPT IT TO-DAY.

I have a message to every suffering and health broken man in this country. If you are afflicted with sexual weakness or nervous debility, I want you to read this article and then write to me. I have a medicine h which I have cured hundreds of my friends and others who have written me for it. I am not a doctor or a sharper, but a plain business man, and I want every weak, disappointed and debiliated man to write me for a copy of the formula from which this wonderful medicine is prepared. I do not ask you for money. It is free.

Read the following by William Cole, M. D., Washington, D. C., published in the United Investigating Reports regarding the prescription from which this remedy for curing Lost Manhood is prepared:

During the examination of men for the army during our recent war with Spain, our United States army physicians were shocked to find so large a percentage of men disqualified because of nervous disorders. It is not the purpose of these reports to enter into a statement of causes, other than to say that the sufferer is seldom to blame. His condition is indeed deplorable; his memory fails him, his energy gone, his eyesight dimmed, his muscles soft and his nervous stamina gone. He is pitied by those versed in nervous disorders and repelled by those of both sexes who do not understand how dark the world is to him.

Some fifteen years ago the writer gave attention to the cure of nervous disorders, and found that the late Dr. Wilson, Professor of Chemistry and practitioner of medicine in Bellevue Medical College of New York, had a formula of wonderful power to restore to men the fullness of their physical and mental strength n the year 1883 the celebrated Dr. Wilson died, and his formula has been obtained by L. F. Page, of 201 State street, Marshall, Mich., who prepars it acco ding to the original prescription, and from our analysis of the same, by our Board of Investigation, we find it composed of pure and fresh drugs, and that it is sold under the name of "Dr Wilson's Restorative Remedies" Our investigation was extended into a great number of similar preparations, none of which were found equal to the above, while many were prepared by those who knew little or nothing about therapeutics or materia medica. We hereby caution the public against the use of all uncertain remedies, and all who need nerve-life bringing medicine, we recommend them to take Dr. Wilson's Restorative Remedies, prepared and sold by L F. Page, 201 State street, Marshall, Mich., and unto the aforesaid Dr. Wilson's Restorative Remedies we extend the official endorsement of the United States Investigating Reports.

To everyone who write in good faith I will send the full formula of this wonderful medicine. This prescription and full direction are sent free. Have it filled, or if you desire, you can buy the remedies and prepare it privately just as well yourself. One dose will be enough to convince you of its marvelous power.

Among those whose attention has been attracted by this magnanimous offer is the Rev. J. S. B. Crawford, of Waynsville, N. C., a very prominent divine, whose own vitality was seriously impaired. Being sick of paying money to quacks and chariatans who took his money without doing him any good, Mr. Crawford had the prescription made up and took it regularly, as he was directed, with this result, he was perfectly cured, and after several years of enjoyment of his newly given powers, made the statement publicly that every man in need of help should do likewise.

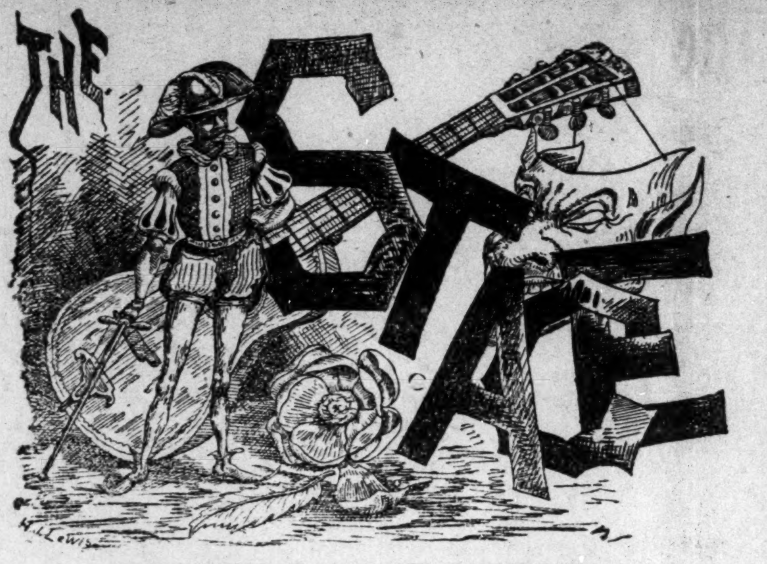
There are not many ministers who would be willing to publicly endorse and recommend a cure of this kind, with the statement that they themselves had been cured by it, but the Rev. Crawford has in him a great deal of true gratitude and love of mankind. This is shown in a recent letter in which he says that he makes public acknowledgement "in order that others may receive the same happy result."

You are older now and can look back and see the mistakes you have made, but you cannot recall the vigor and fire of the springtime of robust manhood. Your transgressions have left their mark upon you. Your errors and excesses have ravaged your system and undermined your nerve force. Quickness, backache, nervousness and debiliating drains and worn-out, shrunken and lifeless organs are making your life a miserable existence devoid of pleasure. You hesitate and falter; you are not the man you once were, and you know it. Cast aside your modesty. This matter is too important. Act at once with manly decision.

This formula is printed and cost me almost nothing, and I give it free of any charge. I do not ask it, but if you desire to do so, you can pay something after using it. I want to help every suffering man in America to regain his health and strength and the ability to enjoy the pleasures of life as I do. Address, L. F. Page, private box 834, Marshall, Mich.

A Sure Thing.—Clubberly—"Well, I see that Raker has run off with another's man's wife. It will ruin his chances for the senate if he keeps this thing up Why, he won't be able to get into anything." Castleton—"No; nothing but good society."—Life.

A Bad Break—Doctor—"I can tell by just looking at you that you need to take more exercise. You lead a sedentary life. What is your occupation?". Patient—"For ten hours a day I give a window exhibition of one of those home-exercising machines."—Judge.



EDITED BY "WOODBINE."

Chas. H. Williams and wife are again with the New Orlean's minstrels.

* * *

Chas. W. Black, of Kansas City, Mo., one of the leading violinists of America, is now at Hot Springs, Ark., teaching the Vapor City Silver Cornet Band.

* * *

Mme. Leota Blackburn, the well known Indianapolis singer has opened a cafe at 2828 Dearborn street Chicago and would like to hear from her friends in and out of the profession.

* * *

Eaton and Jackson will introduce thier big Southern production this summer under the management of R. G. Puggsley. They are booked solid through the New England Parks.

* * *

Kid Alston has closed with "A Honolulu Coon" company and will return to Chicago on the 20th. Permanent address, The Freeman as I can secure this valuable paper whereever I go. Hello, Tom Logan.

* * *

Notes from Buckingham Theatre, Tampa Fla:—Business still continues big and our show is up to the standard. DeVine and Vaugn are still prime favorites as are also Payton and Harris. Mae Fisher, soprano seems to kuow how to please her audiences, with her masterful rendition of classic solos. Brook's and McDaniels are sure encore winners. Trixie Ford always pleases. The rest of the company are giving satisfaction. Our uniform brass band gives a street parade every Monday. We are now workking 25 performers and musicians. Pat Chappelle is now booking all the performers he can get as he has closed contracts to furnish attraction to all the Street Railway parks in the South. He would like to hear from all the performers and musicians that have corresponded with him in the past as he is in the position to give them long engagements.

WALTER E. ELLIS.

* * *

To Al and Mamie Holman:—'Yes I am running but what became of your buttons?—T. L.

* * *

John E. Sherman, basso profundo of the Famous Georgia Minstreels sends regards to all friends.

* * *

To the Chineese Fidler.—I thought it was about time for you to stop "Fiddling" around home and get back into harness.—T. L.

* * *

Wm. Lloyd Cooper of the Famous Georgia Minstrels sends regards to James P. Jones, John E. Jackson, and Julius C. Lucky, the famous da-

* * *

Miss Lillian Garay is visiting Miss Bertha Store in Kansas City, Mo., after closing a successful season with the "A Honolulu Coon," company. After an engagement in St. Joe she will return to her home, 232, W. Randolph street, Chicago, Ill.

* * *

Clarence Powell, the exalted ruler of fun, J. W. Cooper, Butrologist, McKissick and Jones, knock about team, and Frank Clermont cornetist will be seen in New York City after a partial visit to the following cities: Chicago, Indianapolis, Dayton, Washington, Philadelphia. These gentlemen are now enroute with Rusco & Hollands Big Minstrel Festival, which organization will have a vacation this spring.

* * *

Walter E. Ellis, the subject of this sketch is one of the few pioneer, high-class Negro actors whose brain, wit and humor paved the roadway to success for the scores of Negro companies and "stars" now upon the stage. Mr. Ellis first displayed his natural gift as a singer and comic actor at an early age, while still a schoolboy. He was soon in great demand as an amatuer funmaker in all the select parlor parties church fares, etc and from them until now he has been in the front ranks of colored American comedians. Being so much in demand as a local star, he has refused many lucrative offers to go on the road. In the face of these facts Mr. Ellis has won a National reputation in his special line of stage work. He has for the past several seasons been the leading local star in the theatrical heavens of Greater New York. He was from 1889 to 1895 the leading star at South Beach Station, Staten Island after which he played a successful engagement at famous old Coney Island. He then went to Carnarsie L. I. where he acted his several parts for years and built up a a great trade for John Whittaker, of the well known "Uncle Sam's Cabin," seaside hotel. A well known colored builder has just built a music hall, (the first of its kind being owned by colored people in Greater New York) over which Mr. Ellis will preside. Mr. Ellis is now engaged in employing gifted colored actors in several branches and hopes to open the season next fall with as fine a company as Williams and Walker. Persons wishing to communicate with Mr. Ellis in regards to professional employment can do so by addressing (with stamp for reply, Walter E, Ellis, 1715 Fulton street, Brooklyn where he has an office and theatrical bureau.

* * *

R. W. Thompson is still leader of the orchestra and musical director of Tick's Tivoli, Music Hall. Would like to hear from Rosia Payne. Regards to all professional friends.

* * *

Prof. J. M. Robinson, Jr. of the Exchange Garden Theatre sends regards to Bailey and Spiller, Clarence Powell Marsh Craig and McKissic and Jones cing master of the Normal dancing school of St. Louis Mo.

* * *

Mr. R. L. Wilson, the famous baritone singer of the Richards & Pringles Georgia Minstrels sends regards to Chas. Moore and members of the Douglass Club, N. Y. Mr. Wilson hopes to be with the boys soon.

* * *

Mr. Ernest Evans, a young man of St. Joseph, Mo., well known to colored Thespians and the traveling public generally, was married on Monday evening, Jan. 27, to Miss Dulcina Mithell, a charming and accomplished young lady of that burg. The Freeman wishes to congratulate Mr. Evans upon securing so valuable a prize. Mr. and Mrs. Evans are at home to friends at 408 Franklin street, St. Joseph, Mo. Though somewhat tardy, The Freeman wishes also to congratulate Mr. Billy Morris, a young St. Joseph musician, well known in the East, upon his recent marriage to Miss Zephyr Orey, a young lady of talent and even temper.

* * *

Pat Chappelle of Tampa, Fla., would like to hear from the following people: Brandow and Arlington, Johnson and Verano, Erb and Sadie Robinson, Al. Amos Gilliard, Bob Pannel, Mable Clark and Martha Johnson.

* * *

Tom Logan sends regards to Bailey, Cooper, Parker, Powell, Dick Thomas, (the peacemaker;) Uncle Billy, Wooten, McKissick and Jones, Kid Alston, J. Harry Jackson, Billy Carroll, Daddy Love, "The Memphis Push" and others.

* * *

Ben. Toledo, the great juggler, after two successful seasons stay with the Richards & Pringle's Big Minstrel is now at his home, 505 W. Canon, st., Raleigh, N. C. Would like to hear from responsible managers. Regards to all friends. Little Gertrude Toledo, sends regards to little Annie May Wooten.

* * *

The E. L. Smith Colored Stock Company, under the management of Billy Ritchie is playing the one night stands in and around New York. E L. Smith; proprietor; Billy Ritchie, stage manager F. A. Brown, advance, agent; Chas. Brown, musical director; The Taylors sketch team; Susie Brown, skirt dancer Gilmore and Brown, 2nd prize winners of Madison Square Garden cake walk and Ritchie and Francis, comedy sketch duo. The company was given a reception at New Rochell, Feb, 6th after the show by the pleasure club of that city.

* * *

Notes from the Dixie Concert Company.—Lucile Hampton, pianist of the company has been very sick for a week. Miss Flora Knidle, contralto was taken sick Saturday night after a drive of 12 miles. She will be able to be out in a day or two. W ecan only bow to the inevitable in such cases. The general manager of the 'Chicago Lyceum Bureau" under whose management we are traveling made a trip through this part of the state last week and spent Sunday with us at Brodgate He attended our concert Saturday night and pronounced it one of the best he had ever heard.

* * *

Notes from A. G. Allen's Big New Orleans Colored Minstrels:—Everybody is well and the big show is still turning people away nightly. The S. R. O. sign was placed out in Jacksonville at 7.30 and everybody spoke highly of the show and said that the Allen Minstrel was one of the finest colored shows that have ever played Jacksonville. Tutts the little boneless wonder, joined the big show here and will double with the Alabama Wizard, Hi Henry Hunt and the team of Hunt and Tutts expect to make their double contortion act one of the strongest acts on the road. Arnte and Roberson are still getting theirs nightly. Then comes the hot jimmie Wise from Georgia in his great monologue, who never fails to get his share. The Acme Quartette is making a big hit singing "Hello Central Give Me Heaven." Augustus Stevens, the male Papinta received his new dancing dress from New York while in Jacksonville. It is very becoming to him. George Franklin joined the big show here and Lester McDaniels closed. Regards to friends.

* * *

Mr. Fred. Douglass Sulis writes The Freeman from Tampa, Fla, under date of the 2d ult., telling of his flattering and deserved success as a musician. Mr. Sulis was born in Fredericton, Province of N. B, Con., of musical parents and naturally inherited a gift for music. His parents removed to New Bedford, Mass., in his early years, where he attended private as well as public school for music, in the Whaling Port as well as in Boston. After brief years of study he began his musical career first with concert companies touring the East and then with vaudeville attractions in New York City, Philadelphia, Richmond, Va., Charleston, S. C., Jacksonville and many other points in Florida too numerous to mention. The last point or city in which he has labored very faithfully and with quite satisfactory results is Tampa, where he is at present located and will be for a short period longer. But right here we wish to mention, mostly for the benefit of the musical fraternity, that one's musical attainments and efforts are not heartily appreciated in Florida, as a general rule, therefore Mr. Sulis expects, the hand of Providence being with him, to sojourn this coming season in this affable and hospitable section of the country, to try his efforts in the line of his calling and profession. Mr. Sulis wishes to be remembered to all his friends and acquaintances in the profession, and speaks encouraging words of The Freeman, which is highly recommended to its 100,000 readers. We hope to print a portrait and complete biography of this musical genius at an early date.

* * *

J. Ed Green writes from Memphis, Tenn.: The Tivoli Music Hall is well established in the city, and crowds only wait for the doors to open to seek entrance. Continuous vaudeville is the attraction. All the ladies and gents acquitted themselves with much credit. Messrs. Napoleon and Johnson, comedians and vocalist as well as musicians, are on the bill. Master Blaine Bly came with a budget of new songs and received rounds of applause for his efforts. Lewis Williams closed on the 3d. Henry Troy closed on the 8th for a period of rest. This week sees a new departure, i. e., "Tell Me, Pretty Maiden" from "Florodora" opera was presented by Messrs. Troy, Johnson, Bly, Ried and the Misses Harris, Johnson, Lewis and King The act was a masterpiece of drill and moving stage pictures. One only has to see it to note its perfectness. Mr. Johnson, late of Scott & Johnson firm, and Mr. Marshall of the 8th Regulars, were callers the night of the 5th. They are en route to Mardi Gras, and will stop over for a week on their return to see the female minstrels. This will be the event of the season as ladies will hold the extreme ends, one in the middle, and will grace the olio as monologist and sketch teams. William Williams, clarionetist, late of King & Burh's minstrells, was in the city on business. My latest coon song entitled, "I Wish We'd a Had This Trouble When the Weather Was Warm," caught on at once, and every one about the corners are now whistling it as a theme of truthfulness We are glad to note the success of all brother professionals. All ladies and gents of my company join me in regards to all of my old friends. My old friend, Tom The Tattler, I am preparing a budget for you. Regards to Grouch, Lacy, Cudge, Abe and the two Toms. Thos. Edwards, stage manager of the Georgia Minstrels, was in the city for a day, the guest of H. D. Troy.

* * *

Mascotte Theatre, Tampa Fla. notes: Mr. and Mrs. David Clair, high-class vaudeville artists returned from their trans-continental tour, Feb. 8, opening at the Mascotte Theatre, Monday, 10th A foreign artist has been added to the team, Among other novelties they will present the Animated song sheet, (new method,) the London trick house, Transformation Dances, The Bolero De Espanol, etc. Reeves and Floyd, two of the most versatile black face performers opened at the Mascotte Theatre, January 17 and being established favorites of the Tampaans, their real hearty reception was not unlooked for. Mr. and Mrs. Happy Howe signed with the Moore family and left for St. Petersburg last week. They made many friends while here and their success is eagerly hoped for by all. An impromptu reception was tendered them by the attaches of the Mascotte Theatre prior to their departure Thursday evening. The profession has long ago discovered the fact that the Mascotte is the true and only theatrical headquarters in Tampa and that the latch string is ever hanging on the outside. The receptions and banquets tendered the sojourners upon sundry occasions attest to the earnestness and truthfulness of this claim. Ask the boys of Rusco & Hollan'd, A G. Allen's et. al.

* * *

The Exchange Garden Theatre, Jacksonville, Fla, Prof. J. Robinson, Jr; director, sends the following notes:—Business is better now than ever and the show likewise, J. Lester McDaniels the monologist and trick bicyclist is one of our leading attractions and is a comedian he is all right. He closed with Allen's New Orleans Minstrels in this city on the 24th ult. Lottie Dempsey opened here on the 27th ult and is making good. Dennis Mitchel, the Georgia favorite opened here on the 5th inst and is taking 4 encores singing, "Why Don't My Baby Write, etc" and "Liza." He has a lot of fresh ones up his sleeve and is making the hit of his life. Ida Larkins is singing "Ive got the Blues" with much credit. Miss Carrie Hall introduced "Have you got Time to Listen to a Hard Luck Tale," and Cole and Johnson's latest hit, "I Don't Want to be an Actor Man No More." As she always cleans up for 'em "nough said." Miss Pearl Wood still pleases in her wonderful contortion act and has improved very much in her act. She didn't do a thing to em singing "Pucker up Your Lips Miss Lucy." Annie Jones our male impersonator is quite popular and very clever at singing "Ain't Dat Lovin" and "She is my Eveline." Sam Robinson better known as "Ticklish Dan" is doing his chair act which is the only one of its kind on the stage to day. He can always introduce a fresh one. Henry Walker, our understudy has developed into a first rate songster. You should hear him in his own way sing, "Good Morning Carrie." Regards to the profession.

Cures Weak Men Free.

Send Name and Address To-day---You Can Have It Free and Be Strong and Vigorous for Life.

INSURES LOVE AND A HAPPY HOME

L. W. KNAPP, M. D.

How any man may quickly cure himself after years of suffering from sexual weakness, lost vitality, night losses, varicocele, etc, and enlarge small weak organs to full size and vigor. Simply send your name and address to Dr. L. W, Knapp, 1169 Hull Building, Detroit, Mich., and he will gladly send the free receipt with full directions so that any man may easily cure himself at home. This is certainly a most generous offer and the following extracts taken from his daily daily mail shows what men think of his generosity.

"Dear Sir:—Please accept may sincere thanks for yours of recent date. I have given your treatment a thorough test and the benefit has been extraordinary. It has completely braced me up. I am just as vigorous as when a boy, and you cannot realize how happy I am."

"Dear Sir:—Your method worked beautifully. Results were exactly what I needed, Strength and vigor have completely returned and enlargement is entirely satisfactory."

"Dear Sir:—Yours was received and I had no trouble in making use of the receipt as directed and can truthfully say it is a boon to weak men. I am greatly improved in size strength and vigor."

All correspondence is strictly confidential. mailed in plain, sealed envelope. The receipt is free for the asking and he wants everyman to have it.

Patience—"What lovely hats she wears!" Patrice—"Yes; you know her husband is a landscape gardener, and he designs them."—Yonkers Statesman.

Those Awful Girls—Bess—"I'll tell you a secret if you'll promise not to repeat it" Nell—"All right. What is it?" Bess—"I'm engaged to be married" Nell—"Oh, there'll be no harm in my telling that. No one would believe it."—Chicago Daily News.

ASTHMA Permanently cured by the greatest discovery of the century—Dr. Clark's Asthmatic Remedy. A complete treatment costing one dollar mailed on approval to every asthmatic sufferer. No charge made where no benefit is obtained. This FREE offer is open to all who write to the Clark Medical Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., for sympton blank.

Free.

Can Have It
or Life.

HOME

traordinary. It has
o. I am just as vigor-
you cannot realize

thod worked beauti-
actly what I needed,
completely return-
ntirely satisfactory."
s received and I had
e of the receipt as
lly say it is a boon
reatly improved in

strictly confidential.
velope. The receipt
he wants everyman

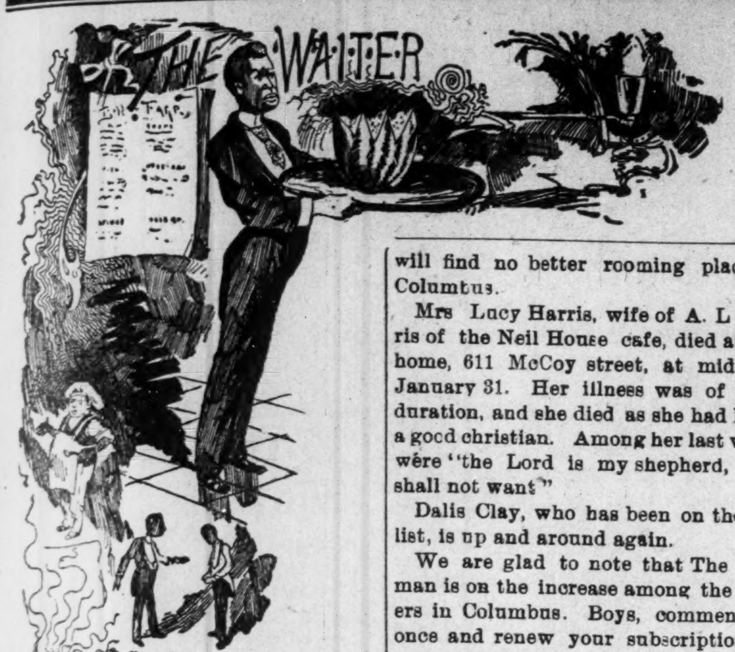
atch string is ever
e. The receptions
d the sojourners
attest to the ear-
ness of this claim.
& Hollan'd, A.

en Theatre, Jack-
J. Robinson, Jr.;
ollowing notes:—
w than ever and
Lester McDan-
nd trick bicyclist
attractions and is
right. He closed
eans Minstrels in
lt. Lottie Demp-
e 27th ult and is
is Mitchel, the
ned here on the
4 encores singing,
Write, etc" and
of fresh ones up
ng the hit of his
singing "Ive got
uch credit. Miss
"Have you got
ard Luck Tale,"
's latest hit, "I
Actor Man No
ys cleans up for
Miss Pearl Wood
nderful contortion
very much in her
ning to em singing
Lips Miss Lucy."
e impersonator is
y clever at singing
d "She is my Eve-
better known as
ng his chair act
of its kind on the
always introduce
alker, our under-
into a first rate
l hear him in his
Morning Carrie.'
sion.

lovely hats she
es; you know her
e gardener, and he
ters Statesman.

—Bess—"I'll tel
'll promise not to
ll right. What is
ged to be married
e no harm in my
would believe it."

Permanently cured
by the greatest dis-
covery of the centu-
ry—Dr. Clark's
Asthmatic Remedy.
A complete treat-
mailed on approval to
No charge made
ed. This FREE offer
o the Clark Medical
sympton blank.



EDITED BY

W. FORREST COZART,

The Louisville, Ky., hotel boys gave a charity ball for the benefit of the Old Folks home.

A certain hotel man would like to know, through The Freeman, the whereabouts of Mr. John L. Smith, the father of headwaiters, and also of Captain C. Davies, W. R. Reed, I. W. Haynes and G. B. Dewelle.

From Columbus, Ohio.

The Waiters' Beneficial Association of Columbus, Ohio, are contemplating joining in with the Waiters' Royal Benefit Progressive League of Chicago, and we would urge that all colored waiters associations throughout the country would do well to join in with the W. R B. P. L of Chicago, as we believe they are the strongest and best equipped waiter organization of to-day.

John and Charles Bunch of the Chittenden have left for Hot Springs, Ark.

Elick Glives, second waiter at the Great Southern, has refurnished his home at 110 E. Spring street, and you will find no better rooming place in Columbus.

Mrs Lucy Harris, wife of A. L Harris of the Neil House cafe, died at her home, 611 McCoy street, at midnight January 31. Her illness was of short duration, and she died as she had lived, a good christian. Among her last words were "the Lord is my shepherd, and I shall not want"

Dalis Clay, who has been on the sick list, is up and around again.

We are glad to note that The Freeman is on the increase among the waiters in Columbus. Boys, commence at once and renew your subscriptions as your year is very near up.

It has been suggested that the publisher of The Freeman change the cut of the Waiters' department. The watermelon must go 'way back.

R. King Dill, who has been away from the city, has returned and taken his old position as secretary of the Neil.

R. W. Kirkpatrick of the Great Southern has gone to Pittsburg. Success to you, Pat.

We cannot understand why it is that every waiter does not subscribe for The Freeman. It is the only paper that fits the cause of the waiters. Subscribe, boys, and then you will be sure to get it, for it is not at all times that the agent can get around to all.

Thomas McGee of the Chittenden and Richard Brandon of the Great Southern have been added to the agent's staff of The Freeman at Columbus, Ohio.

A. L. HARRIS,
706 Mt. Vernon Avenue.

The new Crosley hotel at Beaumont, Texas, is one of the finest hotels in Texas. Beaumont has recently become famous on account of rich oil fields in that locality. The new Crosley hotel is up-to date in every respect, and it is said that the dining room service is most excellent. The dining room is presided over by Mr. J. Brooks, whose efficiency has made him very popular with both guests and employer. Mr. Brooks is noted for his business qualities and strict rules. Mr. Brooks went to Beaumont two years ago from New Orleans, where he was employed at the Pickwick Club for several years. He went to the Crosley as side waiter, but Mr. Hagerman, the manager, soon discovered that he had the right material for a headwaiter, so he was appointed and he has given general satisfaction during the great oil boom which has made the Crosley famous. On Jan. 18 last Mr. Brooks served a fine banquet for the T. P. A., and the service was the best ever given at the Crosley. The waiters wore the conventional banquet costumes. Mr. Brooks is a great worker and is always at his post of duty. He recently married one of Beaumont's fairest daughters, and his wedding was one of the grandest and most brilliant events of the social season. The Freeman extends hearty congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Brooks, and may their marriage life be crowned with success.

W. R. Harris succeeded P. Butler as headwaiter at the Carroll hotel, Vicksburg, Miss., on Feb. 7. Mr. Harris is a well-known and experienced headwaiter from Cleveland, Ohio, where he was in charge of the Hollenden hotel for a year or more. Leaving Cleveland he went to the English hotel, Indianapolis, Ind., and then he went to the Louisville hotel, Louisville, Ky., and then to the Burnett House, Cincinnati, Ohio. During the Pan-American Exposition he was at the Stadium restaurant for the Bailey Catering Company. On leaving the Pan-American Mr. Harris was engaged for the California House, San Francisco, Cal., but finally decided not to go so far West. Mr. Harris began his career as headwaiter at the St. James, Baltimore, Md. He put the first colored crew in the Hotel Renert in that city, and the Gladstone hotel, Philadelphia, Pa. Mr Harris' crew at the Carroll is as follows: J. S. P. Reed, second waiter; N. Lemond, Wm. Griffin, W. Davis, W. Johnson, L. Davis, J. Perkins, Wm. Young, W. Proctor, T. Smith, A. Beachem, J. Hendricks, S. Print, W. C. Crawford and J. Gilbert. Mr. Harris secured the Carroll on information furnished by the editor of this department.

Cooks and Waiters Seeking Culture.

A Philadelphia daily says: Although it has been popularly supposed that the railroad porter, the cook and the waiter were most superior persons, it now appears that even they have not yet reached the supreme attainment of human development. Three hundred of these world-benefactors have formed a union and applied to the local courts for a charter to enable them to "effect social intercourse, to promote the general welfare of the members, and for moral, intellectual and social progress."

While their program has not been announced, it is not hard to forecast its general plan. The cooks, for instance, will hold meetings for the discussion of he ethical qualities of Browning and baked beans. The waiters, when not devoted to Tolstoy and Ibsen, will study the delicate art of serving soup without thumb And the porters will doubtless divide their time between the questions of Wagner's superiority over Pullman and of moral qualities as displayed by the size of the tip.

All the members are Negroes, and, in defiance of superstition, just thirteen of them have signed the charter. They are Cephas L. Davis, Edward D. Plummer, W. L. Jackson, Charles Thomas, Charles Cook, Edward Warner, Edward T. Green, G. W. Davis, Jr., Frederick Sorrell, Joseph Bibbins, Charles Warfield, Philip Roberts and John White.

Davis, who is the president of the association, was at one time a member of the Senate of Virginia. He live at 1134 Carpenter street. Jackson is the vice-president. He is the chef of the Bullitt Building restaurant. Green is recording secretary and White is marshal, and the other officers are Henry W. Bass, corresponding secretary, and Charles B. Cheshire, treasurer.

From Philadelphia, Pa.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—You asked me to write a letter to be published in the hotel news, which I did not have time to do; but after a letter I read in last week's edition by A. E. Dudely, headwaiter, on causes of "Colored waiters losing hotels," and white men taking their places, I being a member of the Head and Second Waiters' Association, I am forced to write a letter to express my views, as I don't believe my brother has given the matter along that line any more thought than I have. I shall state a few causes more. It is important that we should be awakened to, for instance, incompetent headwaiters placed in charge of a colored crew of men you call farmers. Now let me say, to remedy this evil, don't catch at the shadow, but get the real thing—the managers. The second cause, if the headwaiters are not competent to lecture and to teach the green farmers how to serve a guest, whose fault is it? Third, white waiters are united and their headwaiters demand good wages to keep pace with the times. Fourth, the reason colored men lose nearly all first class hotels is because of no schools to teach them how to serve as the white waiters have, both in New York and abroad, and America's best people are aiding the training schools for white servants. Fifth, colored waiters, untrained, are too noisy and untidy. They wear their hear too long, wear untidy mustache, dirty looking faces and no uniform. Sixth, not reliable when left to do a part of duty; at work not obeying second waiters and captains. Seventh, very talkative to guests and too free at all time; familiarity breeds contempt. Oftentimes colored headwaiters are guilty of this act and many others and serve to keep the colored waiters out of our best city hotels, and I will state to Mr. Dudley that if it becomes so that white waiters can be secured as cheap all over the country as colored waiters, the colored man would soon be displaced in all of the hotels. I can not agree with Mr. Dudley that the colored waiters are to-day in the best hotels. It may be true in his little town. Come East: Take New York thirty-five years ago and compare it with 1902; Philadelphia, Chicago and all large cities and ask the proprietors and managers what brings about changes and you will find many black marks against colored men, and especially headwaiters. Perhaps if we could deliver the right kind of a lecture it would show you that old aces are not, and never have been the cause of the colored waiters being replaced by white waiters. My experience as a side waiter was that when no headwaiter of color taught me as much about hotels as a German white man did running colored waiters. I was 19 years of age and since then I have served my time as a sideman in both private and public. To the fact that I have served under such men as M. N. Cowdery, one of the leading and wealthiest caterers, and J. S. Trower, both colored, and A. F. Stevens, I owe my position to-day.

No class of colored trained waiters can be excelled by a white crew in our class. But we had training from our childhood, and what training that comes from some of the best old Southern blood is now at the top of our trade, even though it is not a very high one. But we never played crap or cards or sold liquors to our waiters. So God has taught us to lecture to colored men once a week to be men, give good service, cope with white men. Reminded, don't gamble, don't drink, don't steal, don't insult your officers; if a headwiter will pay strict attention to mens' lectures, like Bishop Potter and Talmage, we can teach a farmer how to wait, to hold the places from all foreign waiters.

GILBERT A. BURNETT,
Headwaiter of the Bartram.

Cravings—"Goldslathers is going to put up a cottage for his wife in southern California." "What for?" "Well, she wants another place that she will get tired of living in."—Puck.

Rigidly Exact.—"A good man has gone," wrote the editor of the Hickory Ridge Missourian, in winding up his obituary of Col. Woppajaw. "He was honored and respected by all, and a large concourse of sympathizing friends and neighbors followed to the tomb all that was mortal of our distinguished citizen except a leg which he had the misfortune to lose while fighting bravely at Chickamauga thirty-eight years ago."—Chicago Tribune.

She—"Have you never been tempted to give up literature?" Author—"No such luck—I've always been compelled to stick to it!"—Life.

BUSINESS MEDIUM.

MRS. MARTH, the world renowned and highly celebrated business and test MEDIUM reveals everything. No imposition. Can be consulted on all affairs of Life, Business, Love and Marriage a specialty. Every mystery revealed, also of absent, deceased and living friends. Removes all troubles and estrangements, challenges any Medium who can exceed her in her startling revelation of the past present and future event in one's life. Remember, she will not, for any price, flatter you; you may rest assured you will gain facts without nonsense. She can be consulted on all affairs of Life, Love, Courtship, Marriage, Friends etc., with description of future companion. She is very accurate in describing missing friends, enemies, etc. Her advice upon sickness, change in business, journeys, lawsuits contested wills, divorce and speculation is valuable and reliable. She reads your destiny—good or bad; she withholds nothing.

MRS. MARTH tells your entire life—past present and future—in a DEAD TRANCE, has the power of any two mediums you ever met In tests she tells your mother's full name before marriage, the names of all your family their ages and description, the name and business of your future husband, the name of your next, if you are to have one, the name of the young man who now calls on you, the name of your future husband, and the day, month and year of your marriage—how many children you have or will have—whether you are married or single; whether your present sweetheart will be true to you and if he will marry you; if you have no sweetheart, she will tell you when you will have, and his name, business and date of acquaintance. ALL YOUR FUTURE will be told in an honest, clear, plain manner and in a dead trance. Mothers should know the success of their husbands and children, young ladies should know everything about their sweethearts or intended husbands. Do not keep company, marry or go into business until you know all, do not let silly religious scruples prevent your consulting.

Madame is the only one in the world who can tell you the FULL NAME of your future husband, with age and date of marriage, tells you whether the one you love is true or false.

There are some persons who believe that there is no truth to be gained from consulting a Medium, but such beliefs are contrary to the truth. It is only from the lack of discrimination that such a conclusion can be reached. It is not everyone who placards himself or herself as a Medium that can stand a test of what he or she claims And a person of any enquiring mind may ask the reason why. It is simply that these advisers do not take the trouble to study human nature. They do not spend their thoughts for a moment with acquiring the art of phrenology and kindred branches that will have a tendency to make the pathway to the road of the business clear and devoid of obstacles.

It is an undeniable fact that persons will come for advice—in full knowledge of what they want to know, and yet as soon as they confront a Medium they try their utmost endeavor to dispel from their minds what they know so as to hear if it will be rehearsed by the Medium. To get the secret out of a person by "pumping," in no few cases, is the art used by many unprincipaled Mediums, but to take hold of the hand and gain control of the mind thereby, is a matter of impossibility to most of them. And yet this can be done, and by consulting MRS. MARTH this seeming mystery becomes a realization.

This subject has received no little attention by eminent men and even college professors. So it proves conclusively that although there are infringers in our midst with "oily tongues," perhaps, the gates of wisdom have not been closed to the entire profession

It takes a great deal of study to become an accomplished Medium, and by a continuous and untiring effort, the key to the well of apparently unfathomable mystories have been procured by MRS. MARTH for the benefit of humanity. By letter, advice $1.00. Hours from 10 a. m. to 9 p. m. All letters must contain stamps for answers.

MRS. M. B. MARTH.

846 West 31st NEW YORK CITY

WEAK MEN!

Instant Relief. Cure in 15 days. Never returns. I will gladly send to any sufferer in a plain sealed envelope FREE a prescription with full directions for a quick, private cure for Lost Manhood, Night Losses, Nervous Debility, Small Weak Parts, Varicocele, etc. Address L. F. PAGE, Private Box 710, MARSHALL, MICH.

The Greathouse

220 Indiana Avenue,
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

Choice Liquors, Wines and Cigars

Trade Solicited on Merit of Goods

Pool and Billiard Parlors.
......New 'Phone 3026

Prop. ARCHIE GREATHOUSE

The
Louisville & Nashville
Railroad

Operates the Finest Passenger Service in the South. The equipment is up-to-date, the road bed without an equal and the time the fastest. Through trains of magnificent Coaches and Drawing room Sleeping Cars between

Chicago,
Cincinnati,
Louisville,
Evansville or
St. Louis and
Nashville,
Memphis,
Birmingham,
Mobile,
New Orleans,
Pensacola and
Jacksonville,

Through the historical and scenic regions of Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Florida.

For descriptive matter time-tables and maps, address

C. L. STEONGenare, I
LOUISVILLEY

HOTEL de MOORE

AND

Turf Sample Room

CHOICE WINES,
LIQUORS AND CIGARS.

PONEY MOORE
Proprietor

Thirty Elegantly Furnished Rooms, Cafe in connection. European Plan. Prices Reasonable. 3

Steam Heat. Electric Lights Bells, Baths and Speaking Tubes in connection with every room.

ILLIARD AND
POOL IN ANEX.

171, 173 & 175 TWENTY-FIRST ST.
CHICAGO, ILL.

THE WAITERS' MANUAL

Price $1.00 Every waiter who wishes to make money should buy this book. Every headwaiter who desires to make a reputation should advise his men to obtain it.

Compiledby W. Forrest Cozart HEAD-WAITER

CONTENTS: How to Become a Good Waiter; How to Get Up an Order How to Serve Meals; How to Serve a Banquet; Remarks to Young Headwaiters etc., etc., etc. Address: THE FREEMAN, Indianapolis, Ind.

Shine on!

It not only gives a high, glowing, durable polish to all metals, but the polish

Bar Keeper's Friend

lasts, it will shine on! It benefits all metals, minerals or wood while cleaning them. 25c 1 lb box. For sale by druggists and dealers. Send 2c stamp for sample to George William Hoffman, 295 E. Washington St., Indianapolis, Ind.

$5.85

1m. 17 JEWELED adjusted, patent regulator, stem wind and stem set, genuine NATIONAL SPECIAL movement. Ladies' or Gents size. WARRANTED 20 YEARS. 14K Gold plate hunting case, elegantly engraved. Fit for a king. No better watch made. Must be seen to be appreciated Special offer for next 60 days, send your full name and address and we will send this watch C.O.D. with privilege to examine. If found satisfactory pay agent $5.85 & express charges. A guarantee and beautiful chain & charm sent free with every watch. Write at once as this may not appear again. NAT'L MFG. & IMPORTING CO., 334 Dearborn St., B 391, Chicago, Ill.

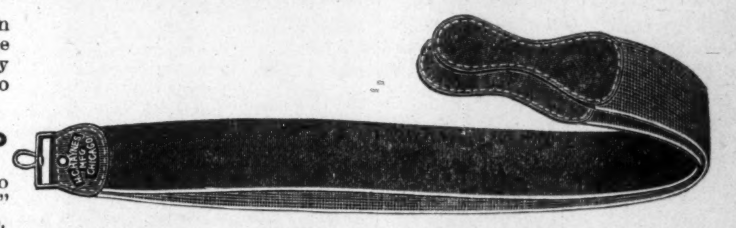
Subscribe for The Freeman.

"THE HAYNES RAZOR STROP"

The strop that has created a sensation in the "Barber's World," on two continents. The strop that has been enthusiastically endorsed by some of the world's greatest Tonsorial artists, to be the most practical

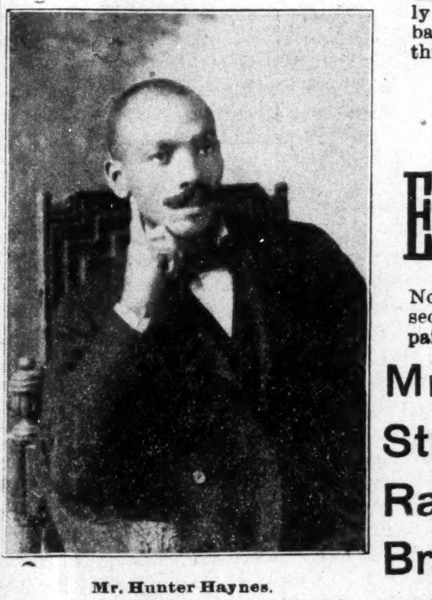
RAZOR STROP

ever manufactured. The strop, that was so highly commended at the late "Paris Exposition," by some of the most noted barbers in France.



H. C. HAYNES & CO. CHICAGO

The strop that was invented, and is now being manufactured and sold, exclusively by a colored man, the strop that is now in use, in some of the most popular barbershops in the world. The "Freeman" takes great pleasure in introducing this strop, to its patrons, as a strop, worthy of your attention and support.



Mr. Hunter Haynes.

Do you know that a razor, and razor strop, is a sensible article, and a necessity in

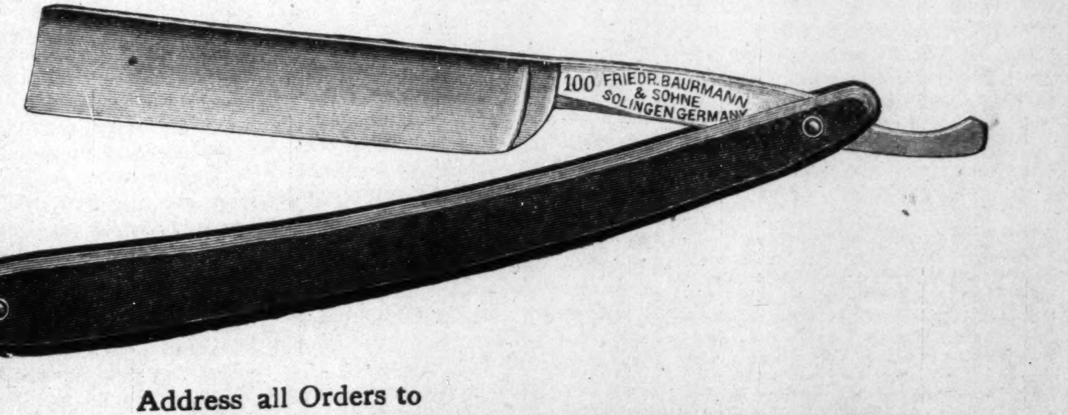
Every Man's Home, Who Shaves?

No society or business men, should be without a shaving outfit. We have just secured an option on two thousand (2,000) complete outfits, consisting of one pair of

Mr. Haynes' famous new Idea Razor Strops, one German Hollow Ground Razor, and the Badger Hair Shaving Brush.

The razor, alone, would cost $2.50 in any cutlery store, "The Haynes Razor strop" would cost $1.50, at any barber supply dealer, a "Badger Hair Shaving Brush," would cost $1.25.

The "Freeman will mail prepaid, to any part of the United States, this complete shaving outfit, on receipt of $3.0 or a pair "New Idea Razor Strop," $1.00, this offer only lasts for sixty day.



100 FRIEDR. BAURMANN & SOHNE SOLINGEN GERMANY

Address all Orders to

ELWOOD C. KNOX.

The Freeman Office, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

THE FREEMAN

A NATIONAL ILLUSTRATED COLORED NEWSPAPER.

PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY
At 309 Indiana Avenue,
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES:

Any part of the United States and Canada, one year, postage paid	$1.50
Six Month	85
Three Months	.60
Foreign Countries	$1.00 extra

Send money by express, money order, post-office order or registered letter.

Agents wanted in every town and city not now occupied, and liberal inducements will be given to the same. Send for our extraordinary inducements.

ADVERTISING RATES:

Five cents per line. Base of measure—solid agate, 14 lines to an inch, 276 lines in a column. Special position 25 per cent additional. No advertisement inserted on first page. Special rates on standing professional and business cards. Reasonable discount for long time and space. Reading notices 10c per line. Special rates on WRITE UPS.

Entered at the postoffice at Indianapolis, Indiana, as second class matter.

All matter should be addressed to
THE FREEMAN,
INDIANAPOLIS, IND.
GEORGE L. KNOX, Publisher.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1902.

THE TRUTH OF IT.

President Havemeyer stated, some short time since, and the matter was widely circulated in the public press, that from the proposed reduction of duty on Cuban sugars the consumer would not be benefitted in the least

He was eminently correct in that utterance. By inference, if not from actual words, the public was supposed to gather that the poor Cuban planter would be the beneficiary. He was absolutely wrong in that proposition. History repeats itself, and the best and only proper way for people to judge of the future is by the past.

Import duties are imposed for the purpose of holding up or increasing prices; they have never been known to act in a contrary way. The opposite proposition must then certainly hold good. An abolition of tariff tends to lower the price Where then would be the benefit to the Cuban? Reason answers plainly, there would be none.

Now, we have Mr. Havemeyer's word for it, that the consumer would not reap any advantage; but even if that were not enough we also have a few figures to prove it. We have seen a table prepared by a very prominent wholesale grocer of Boston, showing how granulated sugars have been sold on an average for a period of five years by the Trust at an outside price per hundred pounds of say $5 00; deduct the duty, $1 68, we find the sugar nets $3.32

Some few years back, when there was no duty on sugar, the Trust prices averaged per hundred pounds $4 29, and deducting there from the present price, $3 32, we see that the Trust pocketed the very pretty little margin of 97 cents per hundred pounds, or about $3 00 per barrel on their output, a difference not justified by any mere excess in the market price of raw sugars.

Did that profit, or any reasonable share of it, go to the planter? Not much. Did the colored laborer, sweating in the cane fields in summer and chilled to the marrow during the harvest, get any of it? Not even a glimpse. It all went into the capacious maw of the monster, Trust, enriched its stockholders, giving enormous dividends on real and on watered stock, and enabling it to-day to stand forth with all the power of its wealth to practically dictate.

The consumer will not be benefitted, a particle. The Cuban planter will not have a share in the enormous profits this proposed reduction would give; our own colored laborers will not have their wages increased by a fraction. But the Trust will gain. It will reap and continue to reap, until the cane industry of the country becomes but a mere recollection; until the colored people will have been driven from their old homes to seek a living, God only knows how and where; until the beet sugar interests will dwindle into nothingness, leaving State after State, now blossoming with a new-found source of revenue, to go to waste, and all to enrich the Trust

"He who runs may read." Let our government pass this law, and the result will be no practical help to the island south of us, but absolute distress and ruin to a large part of our own country, and the enrichment of a corporation already fattened to almost bursting. We earnestly pray our legislators to think well before they take such a step.

GOVERNMENTAL RECOGNITION OF DISFRANCHISEMENT.

Our esteemed contemporary, The Freeman, of Indianapolis, makes reference to our editorial of some weeks ago on the reduction of Southern representation and objects to the view advanced by the Southwestern. We confess our inability to grasp The Freeman's meaning as set forth in two or more of its choicest sentences, but we dare say they are not specially essential or they would have been made clearer. We wish, however, to call attention to the following in Prof. Lewis' editorial Says he: "But the question now is whether the Negroes would suffer more by the reduction, which means governmental recognition of the practice, or to endure the efforts of the States to minimize the political importance of Negroes?"

The Southwestern thinks honestly that they will suffer a great deal more should the general government ignore the brazen violation of the Constitution now being carried on. To pursue this course is not only to encourage violations, which seeming encouragement is now the blight of the land, but it virtually places the Negroe's citizenship at the mercy of that class of politicians who scruple at nothing that they dare do when an office is at stake. They need to be taught that if they violate law they must suffer the penalty. The more fully they are left to do as they please about the matter the more entirely will the Negro be relegated to the slaves position and, hence, told to look on "while we, your masters enact laws to govern you." We see nothing whatever to be gained by such a condition of affairs.—Southwestern Christian Advocate.

The Southwestern seems to be mistaken as to the position of The Freeman. It is not that the sinning States should go unwhipt of justice, but that the penalty of reduction is not a sufficient penalty for the offense. There is another course, the proper one as we see it to be, more effectual as we know it to be, but which is not very likely to be persued owing to its likelihood of increasing racial friction, rekindling sectional fires and heightening political animosities—yet it is the course.

The constitution, while providing a penalty for disfranchisements thus admitting the right, yet it at the same time sternly forbids the enactment of any laws that discriminate on the score of race, color or previous condition of servitude. The fourteenth amendment to the constitution is explicit, and no one knows it better than the offending States. It is true that no penalty in so many words attaches to the violation of the fourteenth amendment. The same is true, however, of most of the rules of government—the constitution. But behind these rules stand the judicial force and the executive force of this government. The same power that causes a single enactment to be operative or the prohibition of the same, can carry out the spirit of that amendment—that is the other remedy. It goes to the root of the matter and is not palliative.

The Supreme Court of the United States is the place where it should be determined whether the States have exceeded their bounds in enacting disfranchising measures. If the ingeniously worded devices succeed in masquerading the real intent of these latter day constitutions so far as the letter is concerned, then the intent ought to be attacked. Small chance for a mistake in ascertaining the motive. The motive has been advertised notwithstanding the gloss and glamour of the letter serves to produce non-discriminating appearing acts Circumstantial evidence, while oftimes in error, yet it prevails in the courts—it ought to prevail here—there lies the remedy.

"An objection urged by the friends of the Negro is that to enforce the constitution will give governmental recognition to the practice, and this is evidently the objection advanced by The Freeman As we understand them they mean it is equivalent to the government's saying "All right, disfranchise them if you will, only give up that part of your representation which you thus forfeit." And thus they say the government would seem to endorse their action."

The presentation could not be better.

"It may be dullness on our part but somehow we cannot see it in this light For in the same sense the law says to the murderer and to the thief as well, "Thou shalt not kill," "Thou shalt not steal;" nevertheless it inflicts the legitimate penalty upon the guilty Does such recognition amount to endorsement in any sense? To us the very contrary seems true"

Does such recognition amount to endorsement in any sense? It certainly does in every sense For it simply means that "stealing" or "murdering" is interminable just so long as the penalty can be paid. It says steal, murder, or what not, just so you pay the price, winking at the transations, so to speak, and by and by the political tone of the whole country will scale down as it concerns this disfranchising business, and many more of the States will be "stealing" and "murdering" and paying the price

The principle should not have governmental sanction, although the thing prevails. For in time the constitution will prevail. In time these enactments will be but dead laws that serve only to cumber the statute books of the disfranchising States innocuous desuetude. But if the government, the creator of the constitution, recognizes the practice it becomes at once a principle for Indiana, for Ohio, for New York as well as for Alabama.

We maintain that the general government has no right to take cognizance of the evil, and thus make general what is now a local disorder. Disfranchisements, we do not think, are altogether bad, since they stimulate the citizen to a better citizenship. They, perhaps, will build better than they know. The principle, however, should not be recognized albeit they beget better citizenship, because that is not the motive The motive is racial persecution.

It is no punishment to reduce representation. It is simply a law that ought to be obeyed. But it is punishment beyond measure to be denied the very quintessence of citizenship. If the race must suffer by the way of disfranchisements the suffering will be none the less acute by making the thing more manifest. We cannot see that reduction of representation will militate in the Negroes' favor. It is a very poor exchange indeed. On the one hand a man or so gone who suffers the loss of a job of $5,000 per year. Not many are concerned about that. On the other hand, over every Negroe's head the suspended sword of Damocles—his highest political prerogative in eternal jeopardy. Attack the validity of the thing through the courts, but do not seek governmental palliation—a self imposed yoke that can never be shook off The day the government recognizes the evil that day the Negroes' political sun will have set.

THE ALLIANCE "WON'T."

It has been learned that the Baptist Alliance of this city will not make an effort to control the nominations for the Republicans in the forthcoming primary election. The preachers from Minister Morton down deny that there is any such scheme abrewing The community certainly welcomes that information, the thinking portion of the colored people especially. Nothing but harm could result from a combination of the kind. Politics for the politicians when it comes to manipulation, etc

The brethren of the cloth will have quite enough to do if they care for the spiritual and moral needs of their flocks. Pandering to mammon, returning to the flesh pots and such like, should be their themes for restraining man rather than by encouraging those things by precept and example. In short, a preacher has but very little business in politics.

The Alliance, however, contemplates supporting an individual or so unless the minds of some of the leading lights change. The wisdom of going that far is doubted. Let the colored pulpit do what the white pulpit does. It has no occasion to stullify itself by stooping to things that fairly puts any kind of man to shame.

The Baptist preachers will do the proper thing if they withdraw from all political combinations. Individual preference is all right. Religion and politics are opposing ingredients any how.

Information comes that at Madrid, Mo, last Sunday night, masked men overpowered the jailer and took a Negro, Louis Wright, a short distance from town and hanged him. Richards & Pringle's Negro Minstrels gave an entertainment there Saturday night, when an altercation arose between one of the musicians and some of the white town boys. Several of the boys undertook to take the musicians out, when the Negroes on the stage began to shoot. Several whites in the audience were hit, but no one was seriously hurt The Negroes ran out the back way to their private car, which was soon surrounded by armed men, but no violence was done owing to the arrival of the town marshal. All the Negroes were put in jail, and as the result of an examination the name of the one who did the shooting was discovered. He was lynched and the others were released. Several of the prisoners were badly beaten Saturday night Comment here would be useless. It is the same old story, and a hard one at that.

President Charles W. Eliot, of Harvard University, will visit the Tuskegee Institute in Alabama on the first and second days of April. The Tuskegee students are arranging to give President Eliot a hearty welcome.

POLITICAL JOTTINGS.

The caucus held by the Republican Congressmen at Washington has adopted the substitute to Mr. Crumpacker's resolution, which substitute is in intent that a committee be appointed to investigate the late election laws of several of the Southern States, having in view the determining of the legitimacy of the late enactments. No one will be sanguine as to favorable results from the colored man's point of view, but it is a step in the right direction. It is not too much to say that the step taken will act as a deterrent in these matters. It may be too much expect that these late constitutions will be put under ban, yet that is the next step. Nothing is settled until it is settled right.

The Freeman has no disposition nor right to call the Recorder to account for its attack on Clint Hare, candidate for county clerk, in its last week's issue No one desires to muzzle the press; free speech is a principle of our government, etc But Will Davis' candidacy has not been helped by quite so much free speech as was noted in the Recorder. What the Recorder sets forth may be some truth, but told in a hard way. Mr Hare went out to win no matter who opposed him, white men or black men; they were all Republicans. If we oppose every man that uses the word "darkey," "Negro" or even "nigger," admitting that he used the expression, there would be no one left to tell the tale. In the words of our distinguished Louisville friend, Dr. Frank, "tote squar."

They say:

That Akin has laid by his crop

That auditorship is a hard row of stumps.

That Clint Hare is doing some very fine harrowing.

That Fred Shepard for auditor is looming up.

That the Anacostia Club has been called into existence.

That one of the colored candidates for the legislature has gone 'way back and sat down.

That Ed Seguin is making a very stiff fight.

That the present bench of judges are a set of fine men.

That the attack on Clint Hare has made him votes

That Charles W. Brown is master of the legislature situation as it concerns the colored folks

That Cy Clark is endeavoring to make good with the colored voters.

That Fred Shepard is the man to keep your eye on.

That Ed Robinson is good for the office of county treasurer.

That the Iron League will cut a figure in the coming campaign. Ben Wilson says so He is president.

That Wesley Bridges, president of the Anacostia Club, will put the club in its former position.

That Clawson, for prosecutor, has withdrawn in favor of John Spahr. Ruckelhaus says he can clean up the whole business

That Edwin Pugh has a method in his campaign. He says he is simply sawing wood. The 14th prox will tell whether he has any cut.

That Joseph R Miller, for Justice of the Peace, will be another good man to vote for. He was formerly a contractor. He stood by his colored laborers.

That the bottom has dropped out of the alleged Baptist alliance "candidates trust."

That if the colored voters will act but half way right the nomination of Mr. Blair is secure, also that of Mr. Brown's. That you can support your preference without blackguarding his opponent.

That Mr. Chas W. Miller will be the next attorney general for the State of Indiana.

Dear Sir and Comrades—Mr. Ed. Robinson, candidate for County Treasurer, solicits your support at the forthcoming primary, to be held the 14th of March. Mr Robinson is a resident of this city by choice and not by virtue of a political appointment He comes of good old Republican stock, a son of a veteran and one whose sympathies have always been with the uplifting of the colored race He does not deal in glittering generalities in making this appeal to you for having been identified with the material growth and development of our city. He leaves you to judge of his capabilities and his ability to make a first class candidate for the position to which he aspires. We ask our colored comrades, those who fought to save the nation to fight a new warfare and assist Mr. Robinson in reaching the goal of his ambition. The undersigned ex-soldiers take pleasure in commending Mr Robinson to your support: Henry Kline, Martin Russel, James Thomas, John Williams, William Taylor, Geo Anderson, Lewis Taylor, Henry Miller, Wm Duncan.

BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

H. T. Johnson, Ph. D., D D., who ranks among the distinguished Negro scholars of to-day, is the author of a volume—"Johnson's Gems"—wherein the author has given his best thought to timely topics and to those especially interesting to the race. It is introduced by that other ripe and well-known scholar, W. S. Scarborough, after a short preface by still another of scarcely less distinction. John M. Henderson, D D. M D. Under the titles of "Application," "Ambition," "Beauty," "Books," "Decision," "Love," "Negro Emigration," "Prayers," "Preachers and Politics," "Pulpit and Press," "Sympathy," and many others, Dr. Johnson has written some beautiful and instructive essays "Johnson's Gems" are gems. Published by International Printing Company, Philadelphia, Pa.

'Shadow and Light'' is the title of an intensely interesting volume by Hon. M. W. Gibbs, late Consul to Madagascar. Perhaps no colored man living has had the varied experience of the author, who was not only contemporaneous with Douglass, but a friend and an associate, although a much younger man at the time. Mr. Gibbs has a story to tell well worth hearing. He tells it in an enchanting style. The information given is rich and varied. His Madgascan experience, as told by himself, is a distinct feature of the work and well worth the author s publication. It will take rank with the best autobiographies owing to the author's contact with the world, its great men and his long active political life The introduction was written by Prof. Booker T. Washington, for whom he has great regard It is illustrated by many likenesses of prominent men of either race.

From the pen of H. T. Johnson, Ph., D., D., of Philadelphia, comes the inspiring little volume "Tuskegee Talks, Ministerial Traing and Qualifications" The fact that these addresses were made to the Tuskegee students assures them the consideration they truly merit. In speaking of the work Bishop Lee says: "A score of points of State conduct, style of utterance and mode of pastoring never treated by those who write not for freedmen, but for the freemen, must be treated and observed in respect to our ministry. The present work includes these points, and treats them as they have not been treated by others, and as we require. The author is one of the leaders of the great A. M E church.

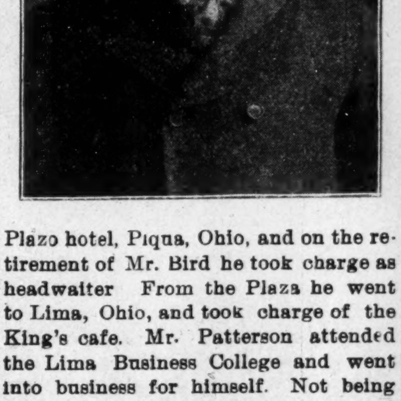
"Education and Home Life" is a well written pamphlet by Rev J. T S. White, D. D., of Oklahoma City, Okla It embraces a series of sermons suggested by his educational sermon delivered before the Annual Conference of the A. M E church held at Langston, Okla, in 1901 He has been persuaded to publish them The public will find him a sort of Sam Jones. He is remarkably original and apt in his sayings The pamphlet is well worth a perusal.

"The Southern Workman" is replete with good sensible reading as usual. Hampton Institute is to be congratulated on getting out such a publication It is well edited, and shows that no effort is spared to make it worthy of the great institution. It is published by Hampton Normal and Agricultural school for Negroes and Indians, Hampton, Va

We are under obligations to Purdue University for the fourteenth annual report of the Indiana Agricultural Experiment station.

A PROMINENT HOTEL MAN.

The subject of this sketch, Mr. James H. Patterson, was born July 25, 1874, on a farm in Van Wert county, Ohio His parents moved to Dayton, Ohio when he was five years old, and at the age of six he was placed in the Dayton public school. At the age of sixteen he left home to hustle for himself. After knocking around the country a short while he finely landed at Indianapolis, and at the old Bates House, it can be said, Mr. Patterson learned his profession as waiter. From the Bates he went to the Cadillac in Detroit, Mich, where he put on the finishing touch as a first class waiter. Being neat and tidy and strict to business he went in 1895, with Mr. John Bird as second waiter of the Plazo hotel, Piqua, Ohio, and on the retirement of Mr. Bird he took charge as headwaiter From the Plaza he went to Lima, Ohio, and took charge of the King's cafe. Mr. Patterson attended the Lima Business College and went into business for himself. Not being successful he sold out his business, and the last of August he went to Columbus, Ohio, and located at the Neil House, where he still holds the honored position of second waiter. Mr Patterson is a member of the Waiters' Progressive Association of Columbus, Ohio. He is an ardent worker in social affairs and attentive to business. We predict a bright future for Mr. Patterson as a coming young headwaiter.



STAGE

Notes from the Famous Georgia Minstrels:—"The many friends and well wishers of the Richards and Pringles Famous Georgia minstrels will be glad to hear that the company is still in Missouri and playing to the capacity of the houses and in a number of them having to put out the S. R. O. sign The diamond syndicate still lives and is the fad with the company, but it is expected that Mr. Lloyd Cooper a man of a very few words and standing nuetral with all the clubs and syndicates is going to make them all talk softer in the near future about diamonds as he is daily expecting a $225,00 diamond ring from the East. (Dont scare him) It is also being rumored in show circles that J. McNeil is soon to join a pretty Mexican Belle whom they met at the Mustache ball given at Las Vegas, New Mexico Xmas It is expected they will be married at the close of the season which is not far distant. His many friends wish him much success in his matrimonial venture. The entire company with the management regret that Thomas F. Edwards closed on Feb. 8, at Hoxie Ark., on account of his wife's illness. He will be missed very much as he was our stage manager, captain of our famous base ball nine, treasurer of the Williamette club and our favorite leader in all lines of sport The Alabama quartette is still the big hit of the show and are closing the show with a screamer called "Fun on the Old Plantation." and "Trouble in the Chicken Coop The Houseley Bros. wish to be remembered to their friends in and out of the profession. The entire company would like to know if Chas. A Hughes is still in America.

* * *

AT THE GRAND.

There is a good bill at the Grand, Indianapolis, this week. In fact every act with the exception of the opening number is a headliner and is as deserving of as large type as Fanny Rice. The Standard Quartette, a party of colored men said to be the second best quartette in the country is receiving hearty applause but the songs its members sing, are by no means new. They have been sung and dropped by every colored quartette of any note in the country. However, they please the white folks immensely and anything that the colored man does in the singing line that pleases the white folk's stamps him a success whether there is merit in it or not. The Standard Quartette would do much better with fresher songs. Its members have the voices. In this connection, perhaps it would not be amiss to speak of Miss Margaret Scott, upon the cultivation of whose voice. Helen Gould is said to have spent much money. Miss Scott is as good as any that have been heard at the Grand this season and a great deal better than the majority. She was heartily received, responding to three and four encores.

* * *

Matt. Hegon, of Louisville, better known as "Uncle Bill," considerably talented as a waiter, is figuring in a new role nowadays—that of songwriter. One of his latest compositions is "Grease My Head With Hodshead's Lord, and Throw Me Over in de White Folks Yard" Others are "Uncle Ephraim Got de Coon" and "Jar Down, Everybody." 'Uncle Bill' is a traveling man; he does more traveling than any two men in Louisville—from Fountain Ferry back to Louisville.

GOLDEN LEAF CLUB

(CONTINUED FROM FIRST PAGE.)

roway carries a full stock of groceries and confectionaries. Henry Kelly, a first class cook, desires a position as such. B. H. Glinn has returned to the city after a prolonged absence. Sam Clarke, of Paducah, Ky, has purchased a beautiful homestead in Futrell. The Shiloh Missionary Baptist church, under the pastorate of Rev. Hayes, has purchased a lot upon which to erect an edifice.

NEEDS ASSISTANCE.

Dear kind readears of The Freeman, for nine long years I have, and am yet, bothered with that awful disease, catarrh; I am not able to work and make money. I am also bothered day and night with a roaring in my head that has caused me to be hard of hearing. I now wish you all to give me what you can, large or small I will be thankful. You can send postoffice money order, or express order. All I say is the truth.

E. S. WRIGHT,
P. O. Hatchitoches, State of Louisiana.

News Notes.

Granite City, Ill., Special.—Joe Kind says his bird has flown and the sky looks cold and gray beneath the setting sun. Miss Etta Langford, of Oakland City, Ind., is the guest of her sister Mrs. Emma Smith, of West Granite. Elder Forris Price preached an able sermon at the Baptist church Sunday night, text, "Wny Halt ye Between Two Opinions" Elder Price is a young minister and bids fair to be a giant in the work for Christ. We welcome him back.

Uncle Sam's Mail Service

requires physical and mental ability of a high degree to withstand its hard labors. The high tension to which the nervous system is constantly subjected, has a depressing effect, and soon headache, backache, neuralgia, rheumatism, sciatica, etc., develop in severe form. Such was the case of Mail Carrier S. F. Sweinhart, of Huntsville, Ala., he says:

"An attack of pneumonia left me with muscular rheumatism, headache, and pains that seemed to be all over me. I was scarcely able to move for about a month when I decided to give Dr. Miles' Pain Pills and Nerve Plasters a trial. In three days I was again on my route and in two weeks I was free from pain and gaining in flesh and strength."

Sold by all Druggists.

Dr. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind

EDITED BY
"Woodbine"

THE FREEMAN POST OFFICE.

A stamped enveloped, plainly addressed, must be enclosed for each letter, and the line of business followed by the person addressed should be given, in order to prevent mistakes.

NOTE—Professionals and others should bear in mind that all letters, etc., in tran it between the United States and Canada, must be prepaid, otherwise they are not forwarded.

NOTICE.--Advertised letters will be held in The Freeman Post Office for FOUR WEEKS ONLY hereafter.

LADIES LIST.

Bostwick, Miss Marie
Carter, Mrs Nancy
Butler, Miss Ida
Elder Miss W. A.
Elder, Miss Willa
Fernando, Mrs Jas F
Gerrow, Miss Irene
Harris Mrs Eliza
Hunter, Mrs. Ada
Jolly, Miss I. C.
Kinney, Miss Bessie L
Leggins Mrs Bell
Perry, Miss L. B.
Radden, Mrs. Gertie
Smith Miss Hattie
Tyner, Miss Jessie
Wright, Mrs Ida Lee
Walker, Miss Daisy
Wade, Miss Eva

GENTLEMEN S LIST

Avery, Dan
Alabama Quartette
Banks, Billy
Bailey Al
Bembry, Ben F
Bostwick W G
Brewer, Pearl
Brown, Richard
Brooks, Sherrah
Bryant, Frank
Carter, Kid
Cotton, Anderson
Cromwell, J. A.
Culligan, T J
Fair, William
Fernando, Jas. T.
Floyd Paul
Foster and Henderson
Francis, Charles
Franklin, George
Freyser, Geo. A.
Furber, Eddie
Gauss, Oscar J
George, J E.
Glenn, Julius
Harris, Geo O
Harrison, Hugh 2
Harrison Bros.
Hopkins, W. H.
Hoskins, Marshall
Houseley, G. W.
Hughes. Ed
Jones, C. P
Keith, Thos
Kemp, Bobby
Kitchin, N. F.
Langford, Kid.
McQuitty, M M
McIntosh, Tom
McKissic Stanford
Payne, Major B. F.
Perkins, U.
Prince, Sonnie
Price, J. W.
Robinson, Erb.
Sager, Chas. S.
Shelton, Allie
Shields the Great.
Scotte, C. Jake
Tichner, Geo.
The Fosters
Thomas, Ed. S.
Van Slack, Henry
Vassar, M. B.
Wilhite, Louie
Wright, L. J. L.
Webster, M D
Walker, Frank
Watts, Chas. T.
Walker, Geo.
Wilson, R L.
West J. D.

1900 —ROUTE— 1901

BLACK PATTI TROUBADOURS.—Denver, Col. Feb. 16-22; Cheyenne Wy, 24; Kearney, Neb 25; Lincoln, 26-7; St. Joseph, Mo. 28-March 1.

MAHARA'S MINSTRELS.—Tingley Iowa, Feb. 22; Hummerton, 24; Brazil 25; Moulton, 26; Milton 27; Farmington, 28, Donalsonville, March 1, Keokuk, 4.

RUSCO & HOLLAND'S Minstrel--Bristol, Tenn., Feb., 22; Johnson City, 24; Asheville, N. C, 25; Knoxville, Tenn. 26; Chattanooga 27; Decatur, Ala. 28.

RICHARDS & PRINGLE'S GEORGIA MINSTRELS.—Louisiana, Mo., Feb. 24; Hannibal, 25; Barry Ill., 26; Pittsfield, 27; Mt. Sterling, 28.

THE DIXIE CONCERT CO.—Lake Crystal, Minn., Feb., 22; Springfield, 24; Glencoe, 25; Hutchinson, 26; Homline, 27; Annandale 28; Buffalo March 1.

THE "TENNESSEEANS."—Brandon, Manitoba, Feb. 24; Oak Lake 25; McGregor, 26; Winnipeg, 27; Pembina, North Dakota, 28,

THE GREAT MCKANLASS CO.—Olda N. W. T. Canada, Feb.. 24; Didsbury, 25; Calgary 26, McLeod, 27; Lethbridge, 28.

W. I. SWAIN'S ORIGINAL NASHVILLE STUDENTS, Gonzales Texas; Yoakim, 20; Goliad, 21; Victoria, 24

AL HUGH SLEMOMS.

The above is an excellent likeness of Al. Hugh Slemons, a high class, refined singing and dancing comedian who simply transfers the Southern darkey from the cotton field to the stage. Managers who wish a new face and good stuff that is ahead of the times, address at once to, AL. HUGH SLEMONS 905 Paddleford st Knoxville, Tenn.

* * *

The Hottest Coon in Dixie, company is in Hamilton, O., to-day.

* * *

Garland and Goff have opened on the Kohl & Castle circuit to follow. Regards to friends.

* * *

J. W. Turner, formerly a subscriber of Slayton's Jubilee Singers was in the city for a few hours Saturday.

* * *

LaShe, the slack wire artist:—"I joined L E Gideon's big minstrel for the balance of the season. I have some good offers for next season but will announce later. Tom Jefferson joined Feb. 7, making the second season. The show delivers the goods and is getting the money. We receive nothing but praise from both press and public. Geo. Bryant, band master gets praise from every side."

* * *

LeRoy Bland would like to hear from Helen Ogden and Billy Young. Send pictures immediately to 607 Grand-ave. Des Moines Ia.

* * *

Edw. DeMoss, George Day, W. H. Culp and J. R. Glover, members of the famous Standard Quartette, filling an engagement at the Grand this week were pleasant Freeman callers.

* * *

Dick Thomas, versatile comedian with Rusco & Holland's Minstrels No. 1 is still opening the first part in the same lively way. Dick is one of the Big 4 comedians and does his part well.

* * *

Louis Wright, a member of Richards & Pringles minstrels was hanged by a crowd of masked men at New Madrid, Mo., Feb. 17. An Altercation arose between Wright and some of the town boys when several shots were fired but none seriously wounded.

* * *

Robert Leach, the versatile musician who was forced to retire from the theatrical field on account of failing health is at present residing in Greenville Miss where he is identified with Graham's tonsorial parlors, Arlington Hotel; also director of the Knights of Pythias band. He sends regards to all professional friends and would be pleased to hear from them at any time. Address, Box 53 Greenville, Miss. Would like to hear from Pap Eason, Geo. Swain, Lloyd Cooper and the Sea Lion.

* * *

Tom the Tattler.—Accept my special compliments on your article in The Freeman about "Our Colored Band." Bandmasters, who have not had the proper training, clip that article and study it. Take heed, let it be seed sown in good ground. If we had more Band Masters with the judgement you manifest, our colored bands would play like our white ones. The noise will be turned into music. May all musical directors be benefitted by your article is the best wish of—P. G. Lowery.

* * *

The Dixie Concert Company has filled two successful leases and are now on the third. The first was with the Co-operative lecture bureau of Omaha Neb The company filled 36 nights for this bureau in lecture courses and never received a single criticism. The "Dixies" have finished an engagement of 36 nights. Manager C. D. Bently of the Co-operative Lyceum Bureau, has the following to say:—"The "Dixies" have finished an engagement of thirty six nights for me and I have not received one word of criticism. If they keep up the good standard that they have at present we will be able to put them in many places where we could not have done before. I am satisfied this is a highly moral religious and a refined company. I have known Mr. Buckner for some time and his sturdiness of character demands such a company.

* * *

Notes from the Mahara Minstrels:—"Nothing succeeds like success and with the new year we have done nothing but fine business. We are just returning from the Black Hills where we have not visited for four years and judging from the reception we got and the business we did, the people were certainly show hungry. We have had various kinds of weather, good and bad, and also a good many changes in the company. Cissel, Mines and Little Bumpty closed at Deadwood S. D. and were immediately replaced by the Masons, Alex and Ruby, who do a neat sketch entitled, "Rural Mistakes." The Edwards family are still meeting with their full share of appreciation and Mr. Edwards voice will always win for him a favoriteism with any audience Miss Rosa Payne is still dancing herself into the hearts of the public and the four soubrettes, Misses Payne, Edwards, Mason and Bramby vie with each other to exhibit the freshest and swellest wardrobe. Prof. Will Malone is at the helm of the band-ship and is propelling it through the blue waters of success There have been several changes. Scotte and DeLeo, Henry Harris and Coffin joining the company at St. Joe, Mo., while Rosa Payne was called home on account of sickness. Will Malone our leader for past five years left for hot Springs for his health The show is making its usual hits and meeting with unusual success.

COMIC OPERA.

In speaking of colored celebrities in comic opera, we are compelled to admit that we have very little if any material upon which to work, because it is the nature of colored folks that they cannot be comical without placing themselves on the farcical side of the ledger, and they can scarcely be serious without making it an unduly sacred incident. Of a clan naturally musical, the majority are a farce comedy set playing to a sacred concert class. We are, as a rule, either great laughter or partly tears. There is no betwixt or between. We either see life in its minstrelsy or look at it in a cantata in which little fairies put on wax wings and go to "heaven." Comic opera suggests both the humorous and the serious, whereas our stage-folk go to either extreme: there is no middle ground, therefore the comic opera side of life is never heard by us, inasmuch as we have no one to interpret or sing its lines into musical features. Naturally, if we cannot sing comic opera, we cannot sing grand opera, but we are consoled in the thought that we sing selections from the latter.

Many years ago the Hyers sisters—Madah and Emma—startled the concert world by coming before it both with voices as clear and as tuneful as a new bell. If we remember aright, there was a third Hyers girl—Lucy—but as to whether she was the wife or the daughter of old Sam B. Hyers, we are unprepared to say. Any way, in the beginning of the '70's they started out from California with a company of musicians—violinists and pianists—that would have called forth praise from such masters as Ludwig Van Beethoven, Joseph Haydn, Wolfgang A. Mozart, Friedrich Handel, Franz Liszt and Felix Mendelssohn had they not died before that time. The Hyers sisters traveled throughout the British provinces and appeared before all the crowned heads of the Old World. At that time they were considered musical prodigies dividing the praises of a music-loving clientage only with Blind Tom. The Hyers girls had sung themselves into the hearts of their countrymen and had completely captivated the Britons. They had triumphed on two continents, but as singers of purely concert numbers, not as the interpreters of the lines of grand opera or the less serious lines of comic opera. The fact is, we have not been "educated" up to the latter class of entertainment, let alone the former. To be sure, the whites are not thoroughly "educated" up to grand opera because we notice that a few weeks before the coming of a grand opera company an interpreter or a "lecturer" is sent out ahead to "explain" the lines of a certain opera.

We remember having heard the Hyers sisters once many years ago in "Out of Bondage," a sort of farce comedy, in which Wallace King, tenor, shone as a bright, particular star. Their singing then was much better than that which we now get from our concert and farce comedy stars In those good old days there was more genuine singing and less explanation as to whether Miss Low Neck would or would not sing a Hungarian rhapsody in the stacatto movement. No one cared what movement she sang her selections in so long as she really did so and didn't talk her auditors to sleep before she sang it How we long to hear some one sing Stephen Collins Foster's songs—or poems—as the Hyers sisters used to sing them! How we long to hear someone chant "'Way Down Upon the Suwanee River," "Weep No More, My Lady," etc., in as sweet a tone as the mockingbird would chant his lay!

The popularity of the Hyerses had in no sense begun to flicker when Mme. Selika stepped to the footlights and claimed a share of the attention of the musically-inclined public. It was said by the Selika enthusiasts that she had a fine, strong, natural voice of wonderful pliableness and that it excelled in the stacatto movement, whatever that is. They hadn't quite got through marveling over Mme. Selika's vocal charms before Flora Batson bounced upon the scene with a dual voice—a Dr Jekyll and Mr. Hyde vocalism. That is, she sang in two distinct voices, singing baritone as clearly and as richly as she sang soprano. We know of but one woman who is successfully singing similarly, and she is Roberta Keene, who was at the Grand Opera House, Indianapolis, a few weeks ago. Miss Keene differs from Miss Batson in her registration somewhat, however, in that she sings mezzo soprano and contralto. Miss Batson is by far the better singer. You will notice that in speaking of Miss Keene the critics say she has a "fine mezzo soprano." That defines nothing They do not care to give her credit for having a soprano voice, so they compromise the matter by calling it a "fine mezzo soprano" We would as lief have it said of us, if we were a singer, that we sang falsetto. Falsetto is not quite tenor, and not quite anything else, but is a sort of cross between tenor and the whines and snarls of a dog fight, and is possessed principally by the "leader" of some quartette. Therefore, when the critics say a man has a falsetto voice, it is a sly way they have of insinuating that he really can't sing. When Miss Batson, fresh from Providence, R. I, stepped upon the concert stage the people seemingly lost sight of the Hyers and Selika and styled her "Queen of Song." Miss Batson created so much favorable comment throughout the country that Mr Fred. Bergen, a white man, seeing an opportunity to live without working, "fell in love" with her and married her. She finally gave him the g. b. and he, poor fellow, took matters so inconsolably to heart that he pined away of a broken heart! Died of a broken heart probably because Miss Batson had cut him off from the pork chops which her vocal notes were paying for. Along about this time another wonder in the person of Mme. Sissieretta Jones also from Providence, R. I., sprang into the game and was heralded all over the civilized world as the "Black Patti." Since then we have had "Brown Pattis," "Bronz Pattis" and, in fact, all sorts of colored Pattis. The colored girls have actually formed themselves into a trust anent the Patti mania and driven the white Patti out of the business. Old timers remember Kate Castleton in her palmiest days when she appeared in E E. Rice's "The Surprise Party," and they also no doubt remember Fay Templeton in her palmiest days in "Girafle Girafla," a comic opera that was a winner in the early '80's. Well, in manner some have likened Mme. Jones to them and have gone so far as to say she is the exact counterpart of Fanny Rice! Mme. Jones does not in any way, shape or form look like Castleton or Templeton, and we are quite sure her features are not to be likened to those of Fanny Rice. Sissieretta Jones is a better singer than either of the three women mentioned ever dared be, but her rough farce comedy could never be dignified by the mere mention of it as comic opera. Her entertainment is horse play, pure and sinple, and the monotony of the dialogue is relieved only when the Madam comes on and sings two or three ballads, and sometimes a difficult composition from some one of the masters.

Rachel Walker, of Cleveland, now in London, is quoted as a star of great magnitude, having a voice of superior cultivation, natural registration and excellent technique. We sneaked into a church in Chicago, some years ago, and heard Miss Walker sing, and we are frank to admit that her singing has nothing to do whatsoever with anything particularly brilliant. Unless she has got rid of it abroad, Miss Walker has a nasal twang in her singing that is quite aggravating. It is a sort of grating discrepancy that plays upon one's nerves and makes one lose all interest in what might otherwise be good singing.

In recent years we have had Neale Gertrude Hawkins, Eva La Rhue, Edna Alexander and a few others, but our singers' voices do not seem to hold out. Like our men folks, our women do not take as good care of their voices as white prima donnas do. As soon as a performance is over, a white prima donna muffles up her throat with the same care that she would nurse a new-born babe, and goes direct to her hotel. But the average Negro prima donna is so vain; she wants to be seen off the stage; she wants people to see the "leading lady" who piloted the vocal forces to success As a result, she leaves the theatre and goes to some ball or reception where she remains till daylight drinking beer and having a "good time" generally. In a couple of years her voice is dissipated and wheezy and she is placed on a back seat with the girls who sing in sacred concert for church benefits and those who write it "At Liberty." It is either that or she must console herself with being a hallelujah shouter in some second-rate jubilee troupe, after having once been the "leading lady" with an operatic comedy with her name in display type that reached across the billboards.

The foregoing is applicable to our bass singers of the male persuasion—those whose gracefulness on the stage make you imagine a rhinoceros trying to retain his equilibrium on a crate of eggs. And the tenor singers! How many are there whose voices hold out longer than five years? With the exception of Sidney Woodward and Lloyd G Gibbs, how many real tenors are there in the Negro race that are not ruining their voices through unseasonable hours dissipation and excessive indulgence of cigarettes?

I. MCCORKER.

R. R. CHURCH'S AUDITORIUM
MEMPHIS, TENN
VAUDEVILLE SHOW Every Night. Now booking shows for this and next season.
R. R. CHURCH, PROPRIETOR AND MANAGER.

R. S. DONALDSON, Proprietor. TOM LOGAN, General Manager
THE MASCOTTE THEATRE
702 Polk Street, TAMPA, FLA.
NOT ONLY THE MOST POPULAR, BUT THE BEST THEATRE IN TAMPA.
We pay the best salaries. We employ the best performers.
We present the best shows.
New features being constantly booked. Good people with good acts will do well by sending in their earliest open time. Prize Fighters and Peace Disturbers save stamps. Address al communications to TOM LOGAN, General Manager. 702 Polk Street.

The BUCKINGHAM Theatre
CHAPPELLE BROS., Tampa, Florida.
THE RECOGNIZED VAUDEVILLE HOUSE OF THE SOUTH.
The mother of all similar houses of its kind in the State of Florida. Can place first-class talent at all times, both male and female. Parties writing must state full particulars in first letter. Will send tickets to right parties. Performers doubling in brass given the preference
Address all communications to PAT CHAPPELLE, Gen. Manager.

WANTED
For the Great William Sells & M. J. Down's Consolidated Shows
Musicians, Comedians, Singers and Dancers, Sister Teams, Male Teams, Cake Walkers and Buck and Wing Dancers, Musical Act. Address
James Wolsfscales,
4401 St. Ferdinand Avenue, ST. LOUIS, MO.

COLORED PERFORMERS WANTED--Male and Female Singers, Dancers and Musicians every description. Will send tickets to any part of U. S. State terms and full particulars first letter. Performers to work the Chappelle Bros' Circuit, which includes Tampa, Fla; Jacksonville, Fla., and Savannah, Ga. We also have contracted to furnish attractions to most all the Street Railway Parks in the South next Summer. Can give from three to five months work to professionals only, PAT CHAPPELLE, Manager, Buckingham Theatre, Tampa, Fla.

AT LIBERTY
TWO JOHNSONS
Charles and Lavinia.
After Feb. 16.—Contortionists, singers, dancers and jugglers Good managers write to 702 Polk Street, (Mascott Theatre) Tampa, Fla.

....AT LIBERTY....
THE PRAMPINS
LAURA PRAMPIN, Duetist.
The greatest of all colored lady cornet soloists, in repertoir Lizza Polka, Honey Suckle, Remembrance of "Liberti." Three S ar Polka. Commodore Polka, Cuba Polka and Catchy "Andantes" All patients unable to swallow this pill, "write to" Dr. Harry Prampin, box 220 Bisbee, Arizona.

Al. Holman, of Lincoln J. Carter's "Down Mobile Co., writes:—While playing Joplin Mo., Chas. J. Ross and I were banquetted by the Orient Lodge No. 11, K. of P. They both are of that fraternity but of a Chicago Lodge. During the evening several vocal and musical numbers were rendered by the Mobile quartette, Al. E. Holman, Chas. J. Ross, Perry Black and Chas. T. Small. Mrs. Holman, by request, sang Good Morning Carrie. Mr. and Mrs. T. Small rendered several duetts. The following Sir Knights were most prominent among us. The Rev. Curtis, U. T. Green, J. A. Pinkard, Robt. Partelli, L. M. Clark and W. Shackerford. The affair which the Joplin Globe said was Joplin Globe srid was the first of its kind ever given in Joplin was held in the banquet hall of the Century Cafe. The Freeman is always to be had. F. R. & J. F. Wilson, prodrietors.

* * *

The Whittman Sisters Novelty Co. will open their mid winter tour at the Augusta Grand Opera house, Augusta Ga., Feb., 24 From there they go to the Savannah Theatre, Burbridge's new opera house Jacksonville Fla., and all of the leading Southern houses. They feel highly honored, being the first colored ladies in the profession to play the Greenwall circuit, under the management of their mother. This being the third season they feel that success is assured. Since the death of their father Dr. Alberry Alderson Whitman, they have been very quiet up until the present time. Fortunately their father carried two life insurance policies one in the Mutual Reserve Fund of New York and the other in the Fidelity Mutual of Philadelphia, Pa. This together with real estate he left his family a neat little estate of $60 000. His last request was that his daughters continue in the profession and sing praises unto the Lord as he firmly believed that it was God given talent that enabled them to master the Southern world and secure the same curtesies as young white ladies in the profession. They carry a company of twelue but do the work of twice that number. Next season they will travel in their own palace car presented to them by their mother. They would like to hear from all good performers desirous of a sure salary and prominence in the profession. The Birmingham News in a recent article states as follows:—"These three bright, pretty, Mulatto girls are the daughters of the pastor of the A. M. E church of Atlanta Ga They have wonderful voices, that of Essie being the lowest contralto on record. The sisters play banjos and sing coon songs with a smack of the original flavor. Their costuming is elegant; their manners graceful and their appearance striking in a degree as they are unusually handsome." Our permanent address is 25 Hilliard st. Atlanta, Ga.

* * *

J. Harry Jackson sends the following from New York City:—The Mallory Cros and Brooks were on the bill Sunday night at the New York Theatre. S. H. Dudley's big company are playing to good business at Fitchburg, Mass., this week. Chas. Williams of the Globe Comedy Four is making a big hit with "Ma Carolina, Carolina."—The Golden Gate Quartette were in town last Saturday evening They were at Kernan's Monumental Theatre, Baltimore Md., this week.—Larkins and Patterson were at the Dewey Theatre, Sunday night—Avery and Hart are a big hit at Hyde & Behmans, Brooklyn. They are booked to appear at the Howard, Boston next week.—Misses Annetta Fagan, Lulu Gaunt, Nellie Daney, Anna Gordon, Fannie Hutchinson, Etta Minor, Mattie Phillips and Marie Bolden have joined the 'French Maid Burlesquers,' under the management of J. M. Moore. Brandow and Arlington returned to the city Sunday after a successful week's engagement at Springfield, Mass., with S. H Dudley's company. They are at the London Theatre, Bowery, this week. The Baileys, in their Prismatiscope dance, were at the Dewey Theatre last week. Mrs. Sidonia DeMount, wife of "Jeff" Demount singing comedian, after an illness of several months died Saturday, Feb 15, in this city and was buried on the 17th inst. The DeMounts had only recently returned from an extensive tour of Europe and it was while they were thus engaged that Mrs. DeMount contracted a severe cold that resulted in her death —Murphy and Slater left Sunday for Boston where they are booked to appear this week at the Howard.—Tom Brown is at Proctor's Fifth Avenue Theatre, this week.—Smith and Bowman, singing comedians authors of "Good Morning Carrie," "Annie Let Me Hear From You," and "I've Got the Blues," are at the London Theatre, Bowery this week with the French Maid Burlesquers. They are also booked to appear at the New York Theatre, Sunday night, February 23. "Boomski" was in town Sunday. Mme Robinson, soprano soloist appeared on the big Elk benefit program, in Jersey City, last week.—William (Pickaniny) Hill, winner for the past four seasons of the first prize in the cake walking contests at Madison Square Garden states that he has retired from the floor for the future and intends to present all of his medals to the coming champion Robert (Buddie) Gilmore and his partner, Miss Mattie Brown. Mr. Hill is the posessor of medals entitling him to four first and two second prizes. He is now a member of the French Maid Burlesquers —Al. Martin's Uncle Tom's Cabin company were in Brooklyn last week. "In Old Kentucky," is booked for the Grand Opera House next week.—Pope and Cousins, instrumentalists, were at the New York Theatre, Sunday night. J. M. Moore's New Orleans Minstrels are in conjunction this week with the French Maid Burlesquers and they are playing to big business at the London Theatre, Bowery this week. The company includes the following people: Globe Comedy Four, J. M. Moore, J. Frank DeLyons, James B. Robinson, Wm. (Pickaniny) Hill, Wm. Murray Russell Brandow, Misses Blanche Arlington Etta Minor, Nellie Cobb, Marie Bolden, Mattie Phillips and Anna Gordon. Be up-to-date and read The Freeman, the king of all Negro journals.

Too Much for Him.--Civil Service Examiner (very sternly, to Erastus Smith, colored, who aspires to the office of mail carrier)--"How far is it from the earth to the moon?" Erastus (in terror)—'Golly, boss! ef yo's gwine to put me on dat route I don't want de job."—Judge.

SPORT

Edited By BREAKAWAY.

"Kid" Langford, of Chicago, is in Indianapolis trying to arrange a match.

* * *

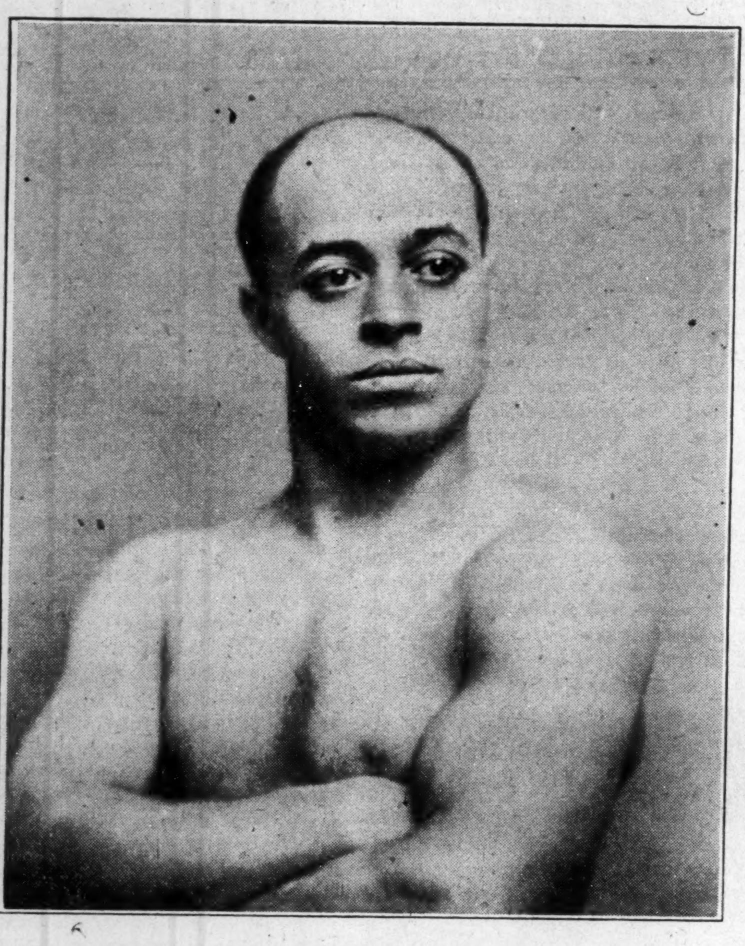
"Wild" Bill Hanrahan is but 21 years old.

* * *

Philip Hurt of Terre Haute, Ind., who styles himself Young George Dixon would like to arrange a match at 126 or 130 pounds Address R H Joyner 1463 S 13½ street, Terre Haute, Ind.

* * *

Billie Jones the popular baritone nger, having worked nine succes-ive weeks at Church's Auditorum is behind the bar at Ashford's Exchange Memphis, Tenn.



L. SMITH the Columbia Club Pet.

L. Smith the clever little boxer who has been making Indianapolis his home of late has opened a boxing school at 14 Indiana avenue He has several mportant engagements in view and his easy victory over "Kentucky Cyclone' has made him a host of friends.

* * *

"Yes, I'll quit the ring if Sullivan beats me," said McGovern. "It's home to wife and the little one for me if that little Irishman comes out of the contest with a victory to his credit. It is simply a case of have to with me now. I must beat Sullivan or quit the game, and that is all there is to it. Oh, I guess I'll beat him, all right, but I am not underestimating him. I have never fought him, but I have seen him fight, and I know something of his style. Should he beat me I will not ask Young Corbett for another chance, but if I win I want another chance at Corbett. He whipped me fair and square and I have no kick coming, but I am not satisfied that he is the better man, and I want to be convinced on that point. There is but one way for him to do that is for him 'to fight me again. I am not going to rush him. Just let him enjoy his laurels a while, but he must meet me if I win from Sullivan. I will wager that it won't be any two-round go the next time, and I don't believe that the referee will be counting me out at the finish.

"Our last fight was not a championship fight at all. I fought Dixon 122 pounds, the feather-weight limit, and Corbett must come to that weight before he can claim the championship. We went in at 126 pounds the last time. I'm not trying to make excuses for myself, but those are facts. Dixon came to that weight when I beat him. He was a great fighter. You never heard of him laying off when he was champion. He was at it all the time. I fought 14 times in 1900 and 16 times during 1901. Why, I was with the show most of the time last year. I would lay off a week or so and then fight some fellow who had been training for weeks. I did that once too often when I met Corbett, but they'll not get me that way again.

"I will be in good shape hereafter when I step into the ring. You can be on that. I'll never take a chance like that again It was a mistake to do it, but, of course, I did not realize that until it was too late.

"If I don't run across any hard luck I will be able to take care of myself for the remainder of my life, even if I should quit the ring after my fight with Sullivan. I have made some money and have kept some of it for a rainy day. I have 15 pretty fair race horses, too, and some other interests.

"There are three of us boys, and I am anxious to see Hughey and Philip succeed. Hughey wants to be a boxer, and he shall have a fair chance to show what he can do. Philip has been a jockey for a year or more, and has made a very good showing. It would surely be remarkable if all of us boys should be successful in the sporting world, but nothing please me better than to see Hughey and Philip get to the top"

* * *

Tommy Ryan has signed to box Charlie Goff, Billy Madden's man, at Rossland, British Columbia. The "go" will be decided the first week in March. It will be for 20 rounds of $2000, $500 of which is to go to the loser.

* * *

GEORGE DIXON GOT THE DECISON.

New Britain, Conn., Feb. 13.—George Dixon, ex champion feather weight of the world, got the decision on points tonight at the National Athletic Club over "Chic" Tucker, of New York, in a twenty-round bout.

* * *

JIMMY HANDLER KNOCKED OUT.

Philadelphia, Feb. 14.—Jimmy Handler was knocked out in the second round by Joe Walcott, of Philadelphia, tonight. It was to have been a six-round bout. There never was a stage of the bout when the Newark boy had a chance. Walcott simply contented himself, by using his left, and landed it almost at will. In the first round Walcott sent Handler to the floor with a left on the jaw. Handler took the count, and went to a clinch. They were hugging when the gong sounded. In the second Walcott dropped Handler twice, the latter coming back each time. Walcott finally dropped him for good with a left on the jaw. Time of round one minute thirty-six seconds

GOOD LUCK
TO THOSE WHO WEAR MY
EGYPTIAN MAGNETIC LUCKY BELT

Brings health, wealth, and happiness, and luck, and success in love, courtship, and speedy marriage. Removes bad, or evil influences, gives yo the power to control, and win anyone you desire, and obtain your wish, and object in life, and live happy, and contented the rest of your life. Remember it will bring you luck, and success in all affairs of life. It has worked wonders for others and will permanently benefit you. It will help you in more ways than one, if you will only give it a trial. My belt makes happy lives and happy homes. Price only One Dollar, prepaid. Sent in plain package with full instructions and etc, Satisfaction guaranteed.

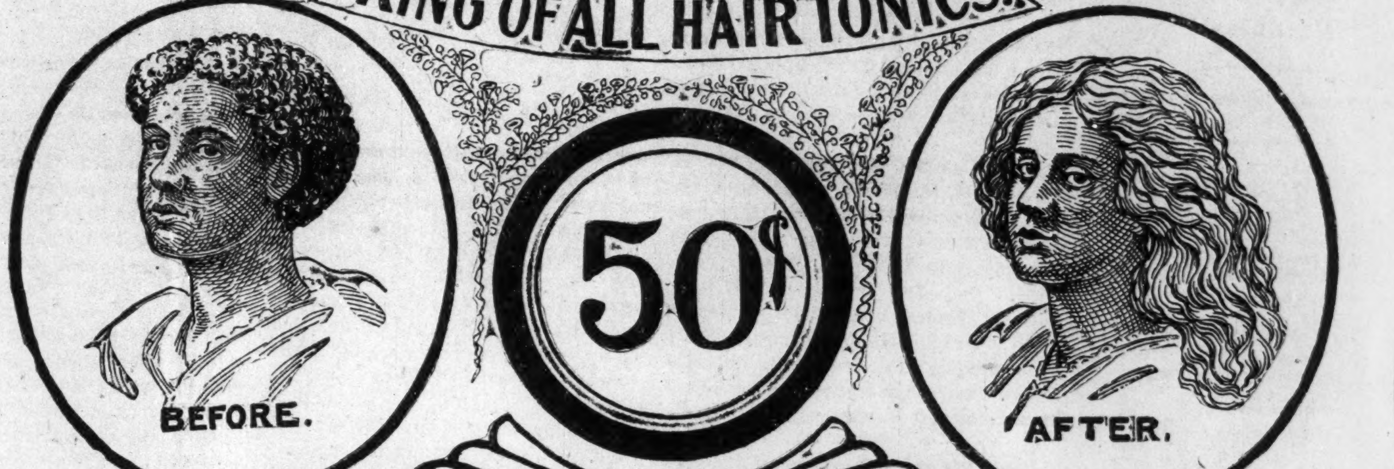
FREE CLAIRVOYANT READING

Special ffer. Send $1 for my belt, and mention this paper and I will send you FREE a Clairvoyant reading of your life. Send birthday. Regular price $1. Address

PROF. C. DEVOLTRON,
1027 S. Twelfth Street, ST. LOUIS, MO.

Straightens Kinky, Curly Hair

OZONO
TRADE MARK
KING OF ALL HAIR TONICS.



BE WARNED

IN order to protect the public from the numerous quack nostrums now on the market, which claim to straighten and cause the hair to grow long, and which are simply put up by a lot of quacks, charlatans, and fakirs, who have no chemical skill, with the sole idea to get your hard-earned cash and give you nothing in return for your money but a dirty, sticky mass of worthless greases, which injure the hair and cause it to fall out, we have placed our trade-mark, granted to us by the Government of the United States of America, on every box of OZONO, King of all Hair-Growers and Hair-Straighteners. This trade-mark consists of two heads, as shown in this advertisement—one head showing short, curly hair, the other showing long, flowing hair. Any preparation showing the heads with the hair done up in a coil, or showing features different from the faces shown in this advertisement, is not OZONO. Seeing our marked success with the true hair-straightener, OZONO, King of all Hair-Growers, numerous firms are now widely advertising spurious compounds, and trading on the reputation that we have made for OZONO. Do not be fooled by these flaring advertisements, which are all promises. Buy the genuine and only original King of all Hair Tonics, OZONO. Two hundred and fifty thousand colored people bought OZONO in the last twelve months. OZONO is sold in every State in the Union, all over Europe, Asia, Africa, and South America, also in Cuba and the West Indies. Its fame has travelled around the world, because it is a true Hair Tonic, that straightens without any outside assistance. No hot irons are used; nothing but OZONO. It not only straightens the hair, but produces a long, silky, beautiful, luxurious growth of soft, fine hair. To neglect your hair is more than foolish, when you can increase its beauty by a few applications of OZONO. We can send OZONO to any place that you may live in, no matter where you may live. The price of OZONO is 50c. a box, sent to any point on receipt of price. Four boxes is a complete treatment. In order to introduce this great Hair Tonic, we will send to you, on receipt of only $1.00, the following grand aggregation: Four boxes of OZONO; one bottle of ELECTRICAL SKIN REFINER, which softens rough skin and brightens black skin, making it several shades lighter, worth 50c.; also one bottle of ELECTRICAL SKIN FOOD, Nature's cure for all skin diseases, such as Pimples, Tan, Acne, Itch, Eczema, and Boils. It also removes Wrinkles, and makes the skin soft and pliant. We will also include a one-pint package of ANTI-ODOR, which removes all smells and odors arising from the human body, such as feet, armpits, &c.; also one bar of our PURITY SCALP SOAP, made expressly for the human scalp. This grand aggregation offer is made to introduce honest goods. Cut out this coupon and mail to us, with $1.00, and we will send the goods the same day we receive the money. If you send $3.00, we will send you four lots; if you send $2.00, we will send you three lots. If you have a friend who wishes to take advantage of this lot, let them pin their name to this coupon, and the goods will be sent promptly. If this offer is read by some one who does not own this newspaper, they can get the goods by simply sending $1.00 and mentioning the name of the paper in which they saw our advertisement. Parties who desire one of our MAGNETIC COMBS, which aids materially in the straightening process, can obtain same by sending 50c. extra. Remember, OZONO is guaranteed to straighten the hair—to make it grow long, soft, and glossy; also to cure all itching, burning, humiliating scalp diseases. To make the hair grow out again on bald spots, especially around the temples, there is no Hair Tonic on earth one-half so good. **The Boston Chemical Company** holds a charter granted by the State of Virginia. We also refer to the Metropolitan Bank of Richmond, Va., and to the Southern Express Company. Register your letters; it protects you. Address your letters plainly to—

BOSTON CHEMICAL COMPANY,
310 East Broad Street, RICHMOND, VA.

BOSTON CHEMICAL CO., 310 E. Broad St., Richmond, Va.

Enclosed find $1.00, for which please send me the following goods, as by your offer:

Four large boxes of Ozono, worth	$2 00
One large bottle of Electrical Skin Refiner	50
One large bottle of Electrical Skin Food	50
One large pint package Anti-Odor, worth	25
One large package Purity Scalp Soap, worth	25
Total	$3.50

*Name*________ *House No.*________ *Street.*
*Post-Office*________ *Nearest Express Office*________
*County*________ *State*________

ARM AND HOME

By raking the fence corners and burning the matrials many harboring places of insects will be destroyed and the farm made cleaner in appearance.

The art of grafting chestnut and hickory trees may be quickly learned, but uniform success is difficult to obtain even with experience of long standing. Chestnut grafting is considered one of the most difficult operations, and the best hand is never completely successful. The hickory is perhaps quite as uncertain.

When the pasture contains a large crop of garlic go over the field with a mower just before the seeds of the garlic mature, or cut them down with a scythe. This method will destroy them in one season. The nearer the seeds approach maturity the better, but they should not fully mature before they are cut down.

The Seed Annual for 1902, issued by D. M. Ferry & Co, Detroit, Mich., is the first of these attractive periodicals to make its appearance. Besides the usual features it gives special attention to the sugar beet of the sugar-making and the stock-feeding varieties. Among other useful information contained in pages are detailad instructions for the making of a hotbed.

Compost is a term used for designating a mixture of manure, dirt, leaves or other materials that have become decomposed and are in a fine condition. Those who grow flowers prefer compost to manure A compost heap should be prepared now, using one part horse manure and four parts rich dirt, mixing well. On this heap urine should be poured occasionally and the mixture should also be worked over as may be required.

Peach trees will stand more pruning and cutting than any other kinds. The tree bears fruit on wood of the previous year's growth and not on spurs as with some other trees. Keep the young growth alive all through the center of the tree, thinning the outer growth so as to admit light and air. Some of the young growth should be cut back to a stump about an inch long that new wood may form for the following year's fruitage.

If an orchard is given as much care as grain crops it would prove more profitable than grain. There would then be fewer complaints of blight and insect attacks, while the trees would live longer and produce more and better fruit. There are orchards on many farms that bear every year, though neglected, but the fact that such orchards do not fail is strong evidence that the proper varieties for the soil were selected and that with cultivation there would be larger profits.

It is possible to give an animal an abundonce of food and yet not supply its wants. It is the amount of digestible matter in foods that fixes their value. When hogs have a desire for coal charcoal, rotten wood, etc., the indications point to a possible lack of something required which may be the mineral elements, especially lime. The feeding of wood ashes or ground bone would no doubt satisfy the desires of the animals. The food should also be improved by the use of bran or oats.

The planting of fruit trees in spring should be done with care, and labor should not be spared in the effort to do what is proper, as a good beginning is everything with a tree. Order the trees now, to be sent at a certain time, and insist that only the varieties ordered be sent. The ground should be prepared as soon as it can be done, the stakes made ready, and the trees set out as soon as they arrive. One of the points to observe is not to allow the roots to become dry. Cut away all broken or injured roots, and leave as little top as possible, as the more top the greater the work on the roots. The peach trees may be trimmed off like clean sticks, and no trees should have too many branches. Cut off the young shoots if they are too thick, so as to first secure good root growth before allowing a heavy top.

TWO BOOKS IN ONE

History of the Negro Race and History of the Negro Soldiers in the Spanish-American War, c bined. Price only $1.25. Library complete withou Large commission to agen.

Send for Terms. Price of either book ABOVE, $1.00.

CONTENTS OF THE HISTORY OF NEGRO RACE. Introduction: Beginning of slavery in the colonies.—The New York colonies; Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut; New Hampshire and Maryland; Delaware and Pennsylvania; North Carolina and South Carolina; Georgia—Habits and customs of Southern colonies. Negro soldiers in Revolutionary times. Negro Heroes of the Revolution. The War of 1812. Efforts for Freedom. Liberia. Fredrick Douglas. Nat Turner and others who struck for freedom. Anti-slavery agitation. Examples of Underground Railroad Work. Slave population of 1860. The War of the Rebellion. Employment of Negro soldiers. Fort Pillow. Around Petersburg. T e Crater. Incidents of the war. The end of the war. Reconstuction, 1865—'68. Progress since freedom. Religious progress. Educational progress. Financial progress. Some noted Negroes. Free peopl of color in North Carolina.

CONTENTS OF THE HISTORY NEGRO SOLDIERS: First Hero of the Navy a colored man. Pen pictures of the daring charges made by Negro soldiers at San Juan, El Caney and around Santiago. Corporal Brown killed at his post while firing a cannon which knocked over the block house and saved the Rough Riders. Sergeant Berry, the colored soldier who was first to raise the American flag on San Juan Hill. The glowing tributes of McKinley, Miles, Roosevelt and many others on the bravery of Negro soldiers. General Morgan advocates Negro officers. Antonio and Jose Maceo, Gomez, Miss Cisneros and the Cuban women cavelry. The Negro paymaster in the army. The Negro poet, Paul Lawrence Dunbar. "Eddie" Savoy, the colored man who outwitted the diplomacy of the Spanish Minister at Washington, etc.

QUESTIONS EVERY PERSON OUGHT TO KNOW.--All answered in the History of the Negro Soldiers in the Spanish-American War: First. How many colored sailors were killed in the destruction of the Battleship Maine? 2. What colored sailor was the first martyr in the Spanish-American war? 3. What colored soldier was the first martyr of the war of the Revolution? 4. What colored soldier had charge of a Hotchkiss gun knocked over the Spanish Block House and saved the Rough Riders in the Spanish-American war? 5. What colored soldier reached the Block House first on San Juan Hill, took down the Spanish and hoisted the American flag? 6. What colored soldier did the same at the Block House at El Caney? 7. What colored man outwitted the Spanish Minister at Washington, D. C.? 8. What greatest general in the United States said the colored soldiers "fought without parallel in the history of the world," in the Spanish-American war?

EVERY PAGE BRIMMING FULL of NEW and interesting reading, with about 43 full half one and fine engravings of soldiers, officers and scenes of the Spanish-American war, with a fine picture of Aguinaldo, his headquarters, a Filipino lady of Manilla and a brief sketch of the Filipinos and their civilization. Handsome picture of General Nelson A. Miles, major general in co mand of all the American army, who said the fighting of the colored soldiers around Santiago was "without a parallel in the history of the world."

432 PAGES, INCLUDING 54 ILLUSTRATIONS IN BOTH BOOKS, AGENTS WANTED.

Send for Agent's Terms **E. A. JOHNSON,** Corner West and Lenoir Streets, **RALEIGH, N. C.**

—IN REACH OF ALL—

BEST EDUCATION

Normal, Industrial, Musical, Collegiate. Over 30 teachers. Christian, Non-Sectarian, No Saloons.

Find out about **Berea College**

Address GEO. T. FAIRCHILD, LL. D.,
BEREA.

The Freeman in Hot Springs, Ark.

Copies of The Freeman can be found every Saturday at Prof. Andrew Stuart's optical store, 114 Malvern avenue; Henry F. Foster general agent, 5 Sparrow street.

RACE GLEANINGS.

The Tuskegee Institute Bank, Mr. G. W. A. Johnston, cashier, continues to be liberally patronized by students and teachers. The deposits are now hovering about the $7,000 mark.

Probably the most finished Negro scholar in the world to-day is Dr. Edward Wilmot Blyden, who represented the Republic of Liberia at the Court of St. James with becoming grace and dignity.

Bishop William B. Derrick, of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, will deliver the sermon at the three hundred and fifty-third anniversary of the Huguenot Church in Canterbury, England, in July next.

Booker T. Washington's autobiograph, "Up from Slavery," already translated into French, German and Hindustanee, is now to be printed in Dianish and Spanish.

The business of the Tuskegee Institute post office has grown to such an extent that the government officials at Washington have granted an additional postal clerk. Mr. J. B. Washington, the postmaster, selected Mr. Theodore Penny to serve as his assistant The mails are now handled with dispatch and satisfaction to all who have relations with the postoffice.

T. A. Curry, of So McAlister Ind. Ter., is the only Negro R. R. Contractor in the Southwest, and probably, in the U. S. He works from 200 to 300 men and operates his own commissaries, has his own clerks, secretaries, pay masters and stenographer.

W. H. Smith, of Wagoner, I. T., does the largest grocery business of any colored man in the I. T. He employs four regular clerks. His goods are bought in car load lots. He is also a heavy cotton buyer.

In Omaha, Neb., our people have organized a stock company to operate coaches thoughout the city for their own exclusive use. The action is taking on action of the street car company providing separate accommodations for colored and white people.

Great changes have been made among the Negroes of German East Africa. They now use plates, cups, glasses, saucers, looking-glasses, spoons, knives, umbrellas and occasionally clocks; they call for soap and for kerosene. In their market places they are seen drinking tea with sugar at the table. The women have adopted European clothes and make use of sewing machines, even in the interior districts.

Some years ago, Thomas Harris, a full-blooded Negro of Susquehanna, Pa., was frightened by some boys, who pretended to be ghosts Soon afterwards two whole white spots appeared on his body, and they have been increasing in size until now nearly all of his body is white.

The Worker's Conference composed mainly of teachers and officers of the various schools located in the South will be held on the following day, Thursday, February 20, 1902.

This year, as formerly, these meetings will deal with the material, educational and religious welfare of the Negroes of the South. Your presence will add greatly to their success, and may at the same time give you a better opportunity to know the colored people and their condition at first-hand than possibly you have had before.

Don't wear diamonds while you have debts. Jewels are the right only of the free.

MADAM M'NAIRDEE

Has Returned to the City.

The gifted Clairvoyant, the great female wonder, born with the double(caul) veil, she is one of the old ancient Southern Clairvoyants of New Orleans. She's a living Phrenologist and Physiogomist. She tells plainly what you are best adapted for in life by reading your brains and mind. With a grasp of her hand she gives you a coil of influence to enable you to overcome all bad luck. She has made thousands of homes happy. Read the fifth chapter ix verse of St. Matt: "Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God." She reunites the separated, makes peace where there is confusion. Your husband or wife will never become angry or your sweet heart forsake you. But will love you better and marry you sooner if you will only heed this lady's consultation. Read what several ladies of your city say, "Yes, we believe her a Godsend to our city; my husband and I had been seperated over a year and just think since I called on this lady, he returned today, we are together and happy." This young lady says: "The one loved refused to call or write me; I called on this lady and we are now engaged." You can't afford to

MADAME M'NAIRDEE.

miss consulting this gifted lady; she is gifted to read characters. She challenges the world to excell her advice on love, losses business, family and financial troubles. Re-unites the separated causes speedy marriage with the one of your choice. No cards allowed in her place of business; no one's ill wishes filled; strictly a Christian lady and depends entirely on her heavenly gift. If you are painful or ailing, think you have been witchcrafted go to see her. She spent eight years in the Jungles of Africa and has traveled through 34 states doing good wherever she went. Read St. John, 9th chap. 33d ver: "If this man is not of God he could do nothing.

Three parlors so arrainged that you meet no friends nor strangers: everything confidential. Owing to such crowds you may call night or day. Permanently located. Send money by postal order or Registered letter

N.B.—Send lock hair accompanied by one dollar ($1. 00) and eceive full life reading. Clip this ad.

417½ Indiana Avenue,
INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,
MADAM M'NAIRDEE.

MADAM McNAIRDEE-MOORE has recently married and wishes all to address her as above at her old stand. She certainly is the wonderful woman of the 20th Century. She has made a many heart happy through her wonderderful power. I, for one, as one in the midst, My heart ached from the cruel treatment of my husband and the way he would throw away his time and money until I consulted this wonderful lady It will soon be a year. Through her he has become a loving husband; and today he presents me with a lovely lot on which he will in the spring erect a home. Tongue can't praise her too highly. A LADY of New Iberia, La.

WRITE HER AT ONCE FOR ALL INFORMATION.

There is no doubt of this lady's prophetic power. She is a living phrenologist, palmist and a natural born clairvoyant to which thousands will testify. She is a God send to our country—born with a gift that no one can dictate. Tell you every incident of your past and present life and put you on the road of success both financially and physically if you will only heed her instructions. I called on her when the one I love had gone I knew not where and he returned at once, and today I am his dear wife.

A LADY of Fort Gibson, Ind. T.

Madame.—I feel it my duty to do this for you are all you advertise. Just think my husband and I have been separated 2 years; I called on you in September and in a week's time he returned and married me, and I can't praise you too much. Ladies that are heart-broken by family troubles, love affairs and bad luck until it seem that life is a blank, call or write to this dear lady, she will do you good; she will tell you to trust God and she will do the balance, and she will. A LADY of Rossland, B. C.

Dear Sisters and Brothers—Call on her when you can, she will be please to meet you and will when ever you wish to. She devotes her entire time for the welfare of the people believing God will reward her She will make your very soul glad to hear her talk of heaven for she writes such soul searching letters, tells you how to make home happy. Please always enclose stamp for answer. Here she is as she looks today and a bride three weeks

MADAME McNAIRDEE-MOORE,
417½ Indiana Avenue, permanently located.

Colored Lady Agents

WANTED to sell Corsets, Tailor-Made Dress Skirts and Petticoats.

Write for Catalogue:

Consedine Manufacturing Co.,

2210 and 2212 Pine Street, ST. LOUIS, MO.
[Mention this paper].

Williams' Shaving Stick

"THE ONLY KIND THAT WONT DRY ON THE FACE"

SOLD EVERYWHERE.
Williams' Shaving Stick, 25c.
Genuine Yankee Shaving Soap, 10c.
Luxury Shaving Tablet, 25c.
Swiss Violet Shaving Cream, 50c.
Williams' Shaving Soap (Barbers'), 6 Round Cakes, 1 lb., 40c. Exquisite also for toilet.
Trial cake for 2c. stamp.
The only firm in the world making a specialty of SHAVING Soaps
THE J. B. WILLIAMS CO., Glastonbury, Ct.
LONDON PARIS DRESDEN SYDNEY

What's in a Name.—Tess—"I've written Mame Woodby an invitation to my tea. I suppose I must." Jess—"Yes, but you've spelled her name 'M-a-m-e.'" Tess—"That's so. She spells it 'M-a-y-m-e,' doesn't she?" Jess—"Oh, no. She did three months ago; but it's 'M-a-i-g-h-m-e' now."—Philadelphia Press.

Teacher—"If you face the north, directly behind you will be south, on your right hand will be east, and on your left hand west." Seeing a lack of attention on the part of Bobby, and wishing to catch him: "What is on your left hand, Bobby?" Bobby (in deep confusion)—"Please, it's some tar, an' it won't come off."—Tit-Bits.

His Obstinacy—"The way it sorter looks to me," said Farmer Buckover, a bit a cridly, "President Roosevelt is goin' to be considerable obstinate and bull-headed. I may be prejudiced, but it strikes me there are already signs that he won't do all that William Jennin's Bryan advises in the matter of runnin' the country."—Puck.

Would Only Spoil the Play—"Have you had time to read that popular novel that you're going to dramatize?" "Why in the world should I read it?" demanded the dramatist. "All that's needed to make it go is the title and the names of the principal characters, and if I read it I might inadvertently get in some of the incidents and thus spoil a good play."—Chicago Evening Post.

B. SQUARE'S BLUSTER

The healthy New Year's resolutions,
Once so strong, so bright, so gay,
Now, with broken constitutions,
One by one, they pass away.

In the silent grave they're sleeping,
From temptations they are free;
Father Time has still in keeping,
Better ones for "Ninety-three."

* * *

As I have said in this column several times before, the barber-shop is the poor man's club; the poorer the barber-shop, the poorer the man. The conversations a "Man-about-town" overhears during a week in a barber-shop, if committed to writing or even memory, would fill a book much larger than "Webster's Unabridged." Wit, humor, philosophy, logic, sense, nonsense and the expressions of sage and fool

* * *

The conversations I overhear during the present year in barber-shops, striking me as being either amusing or instructive, will be recorded in this column under the headlines of "Barber-shop Conversations."

* * *

Time flies! We all are twenty years older than we were twenty years ago, although we may not look or feel older. "Hello, Bill! why you look just as young as you did twenty years ago," is an exclamation I heard on the street the other day. "Bill" (who I know must be sixty years old, for he was a man when I was a boy thirty years ago) straightened up, and rubbing his hands together gleefully, replied: "Yes, and I feel as young as I did twenty years ago." He may look it and he may feel it (or think he does) the fact remains that he is not as young.

* * *

Twenty years ago there resided in New York City two young men who were chums. I was one of the two. Nineteen years ago I got married; one year later my chum got married; I moved to Brooklyn; he kept his residence in New York. Seventeen years ago we both were happy fathers—he of a girl, I of a boy. Six months later, at a private party at my friends house, he and his wife thought it a great joke to force me (the only male guest a married man) to hold their girl infant upon my knee while the others danced. I took it as a joke and held the baby, who played with my budding whiskers while the others danced. After the party we parted, and, although living within ten miles of each other (both within the confines of Greater New York), business and family cares prevented us from meeting (outside of the lodge rooms) for seventeen years. Last week I gave a quiet little party to which my old chum and wife were invited. I remarked (of course in a joking way) if he brought the girl baby of long ago I would again hold her on my knee during the dancing.

* * *

They came and I was introduced to the baby of seventeen years ago, who is now a beautiful full grown woman. As I saw her and my son waltz over the floor together, I aroused to the fact that no matter how I looked; no matter how I felt, I was just seventeen years older than when I was at my friend's house, holding the baby. Still I am not an old man yet. Don't forget that.

* * *

Barber-Shop Conversations--No. 1.

It was a strange barber-shop, and I did not know the "hangers on," so when I looked in and saw several men sitting by the fire, over half of whom needed either a shave or a hair cut. I turned away. "You're next, sir," yelled the barber, as he pulled at my coat to prevent me from going out. Seated by the fire were four men, one looked like a man of sixty, the others, from their looks, were from twenty to forty; they were all well dressed, and looked ten degrees better than the average "chair warmers" of a barber-shop. As I was removing my overcoat a white woman in seedy dress entered, and with tears in her eyes told the saddest of sad "tales of woe." Her husband was a cripple, son a drunken loafer, herself a sick woman with a dear two weeks' old infant in the house. She asked, in the name of heaven for a little help to keep her other three little ones from starving. When the fellow who looked like a race track "tout" told her to "go 'way back and sit down," she dried her tears, and, standing in the middle of the shop with arms akimbo, in the most foul language I have ever heard uttered by the most degraded white hobo, she called us all kinds of —— —— niggers, and said other things about us I cannot print. The race horse man tried to give her as good as she sent. She got "insulted" and went outside and threw in a brick which came near hitting me. She then walked away.

'If you ever stumble over anything more deceiving than a woman's tears just drop me a postal card; you boys know my address," said the old man who the others called "Pop."

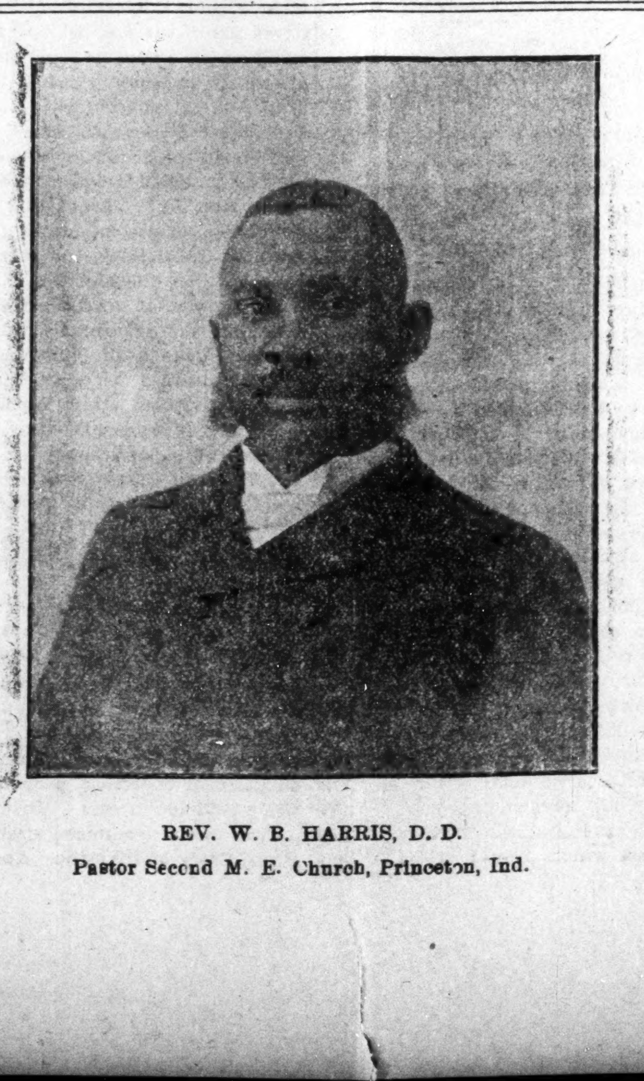
"What's the matter with the race horses?" asked the fellow that looked like a "tout."

"They are not in it. A woman will cry to gain her point, be that point good or bad. Never judge a woman by her tears, my boy," said "Pop"

"You can't judge a race horse either, 'Pop,' neither by his looks or past record," said the race horse man.

Without paying any attention to these remarks "Pop" continued, "I have known hundreds of cases like the one we have just seen where women cried when they were full of joy—cried tears of trouble and sorrow—not tears of sorrow. My boys, in the battle of life woman is a hard fort to capture or even locate her guns. She is built of deception, and tears are her guns and she loads them with hot shot from her tongue. Why woman is the most deceptive thing, article of all God's creations" "Why she even is—" I left before "Pop" finished the sentence, as I started towards the New York ferry (for I was out of the State in Jersey City) I remarked to myself: "Pop is more of a sage than fool."

B. SQUARE.



REV. W. B. HARRIS, D. D.
Pastor Second M. E. Church, Princeton, Ind.

IMPORTANT POINTS

GREAT EVENTS IN THE SUBURBAN DISTRICTS.

THE WINDY CITY BY THE LAKES

Budget of News Gathered by a Staff Representative--Society and Local Interests to the Readers of The Freeman.

Chicago, Ill., Special to The Freeman.

The "B. B." restaurant on State street is closed. For years Mr. Blakemore has conducted the "B. B." restaurant in an up-to-date style. Whatever caused the failure it can be truly said that the "B. B." came as near being first class as any restaurant ever established for colored people in this city. The closing of the "B. B." indicates that Chicagoans are not yet ready to support a first class restaurant at first class prices.

The funeral of the Trostel family, six in number, and a friend of the family, were all held at St. James Catholic church last Sunday. All of the above were victims of the terrible gas explosion at Archer avenue and Twenty-second street. The funeral procession consisted of seven hearses and about 150 carriages and other vehicles.

Mrs. Venable entertained the Banquet Whist Club last Thursday evening at 471 State street. The club was well attended and the games were closely contested. At 11:30 Mrs. Venable invited her guests to partake of a sumptuous repast, which tickled their palates and pleased the inner man. The menu consisted of lobster ala Newberg, turkey, cranberry sauce, slaw, soda waifers, sweet catawba wine, layer cake, cheese and black coffee.

Mrs. J. S. Yates delivered a lecture to the Young Men's Forum at the Institutional church, Sunday, Feb. 16, at 4 o'clock p. m.

The Afro-American Republican League of Illinois meets at Lincoln, Ill., the first Monday in April. It is predicted that the League will be largely attended and that the machinery of the organization will be oiled up and put in good condition for the fall campaign. The officers of the League are:

John G Jones Chicago, President.
H Singleton, First Vice president.
R. Jordan, Second Vice-president
J H. Batchman, Third Vice president, Danville, Ind
H. T Bowman, Fourth Vice-president, East St. Louis, Ill
Ed W. Green, Secretary, Springfield, Illinois.
Harry Donnagan, Treasurer, Lincoln, Illinois.

Hon John G Jones, the president, is a member of the Illinois Legislature, and has the credit of introducing more bills and having more important bills passed than any other of the many colored men who preceded him.

W. FORREST COZART,
253 Twenty-ninth street.

OX-BLOOD TABLETS for thin blooded people, Rheumatism, Indigestion, Nervousness. Flesh producer. Equal pure blood of a Bullock. Pleasant to take. Thin people gain 10 lbs. a month. If you are thin and a sufferer, try it. Three weeks' treatment. Inclose 10c. for postage; we send tablets prepaid. **FREE**
W. A. HENDERSON, Clarinda, Iowa.

WONDERFUL DISCOVERY

Curly Hair Made Straight By

TAKEN FROM LIFE:
BEFORE AND AFTER TREATMENT.

ORIGINAL
OZONIZED OX MARROW
(Copyrighted.)

This wonderful hair pomade is the only safe preparation in the world that makes kinky or curly hair straight as shown above. It nourishes the scalp and prevents the hair from falling out or breaking off, cures dandruff and makes the hair grow long and silky. Sold over forty years and used by thousands. Warranted harmless. Testimonials free on request. It was the first preparation ever sold for straightening kinky hair. Beware of imitations. Get the **Original Ozonized Ox Marrow** as the genuine never fails to keep the hair straight, soft and beautiful. A toilet necessity for ladies, gentlemen and children. Elegantly perfumed. The great advantage of this wonderful pomade is that by its use you can straighten your own hair at home. Owing to its superior and lasting qualities it is the best and most economical. It is not possible for anybody to produce a preparation equal to it. Full directions with every bottle. Only **50** cents. Sold by druggists and dealers or send us **50** cents for one bottle or **$1.40** for three bottles. We pay all express charges. Send postal or express money order. Write your name and address plainly to

OZONIZED OX MARROW CO.,
76 Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

The PRESENT GENERATION

of **HOUSEWIVES** will no doubt remember this picture on the wrappers around **DOBBINS' ELECTRIC SOAP**

By Use Dobbin's Electric Soap

The Soap their mothers and grand mothers used to always praise so highly and which they thought was the cheapest and best soap made even when they paid 10 cents a bar for it.

The same soap is now sold by all first-class grocers at **6** Cents a Bar.

Size of bar and quality is exactly as it used to be. A box of Dobbins' Electric should be in every house, as it improves with age.

DOBBINS SOAP MFG. CO.,
(Sole Proprietors.)
Philadelphia, Penna.

BEFORE USING HARTONA

HARTONA

POSITIVELY STRAIGHTENS
—ALL—
Kinky, Knotty, Stubborn, Harsh, Curly Hair.

AFTER USING HARTONA

HARTONA makes the hair grow long, straight, beautiful, soft, and glossy. Cures Dandruff, Baldness, Itching, Eczema, and all Scalp Diseases. Prevents Falling Out of the Hair and Premature Baldness. **HARTONA POSITIVELY STRAIGHTENS THE KINKIEST HAIR.** Guaranteed harmless. Sent anywhere on receipt of price—25c. and 50c. per box.

HARTONA FACE BLEACH will gradually turn the skin of a black or dark person five or six shades lighter, and will turn the skin of a mulatto person almost white. **HARTONA FACE BLEACH** removes Wrinkles, Dark Spots, Pimples, Freckles, Blackheads, and all Blemishes of the Skin. Guaranteed absolutely harmless. Sent to any address on receipt of price—25c. and 50c. per bottle.

Hartona Remedies are absolutely guaranteed, and your money is positively refunded if you are not perfectly satisfied. Write to us, and we will send you free a book of testimonials of more than one hundred people in your own State who have used and are using Hartona Remedies.

SPECIAL GRAND OFFER. Send us One Dollar and mention this paper, and we will send you three large boxes of **HARTONA HAIR GROWER AND STRAIGHTENER**, two large bottles of **HARTONA FACE BLEACH**, and one large box of **HARTONA NO-SMELL**, which removes all disagreeable odors caused by Perspiration of the Feet, Arm-Pits, &c.

Goods will be sent securely sealed from observation. Write your name and post-office and express office address very plainly. Money can be sent in Stamps or by Post-Office Money Order, or enclosed in Registered Letter or by Express.

Address all orders to—

HARTONA REMEDY CO.
909 E. Main Street,
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA.

AGENTS WANTED in Every Town and City. Liberal Salary Paid.

AFTER USING HARTONA

BEFORE USING HARTONA

NEW DRESS
SKIRTS of Cloth

More than a hundred of them have arrived within the past two or three days; beautiful broadcloth skirts at f om $12.75 to $35, etamine and sailcloth skirts at $10 75 and $14.75 and a very pretty style of Venetian cloth at $10. See them on the suit floor.

L. S. AYRES & CO.
"Indiana's Greatest Distributors of Dry Goods."

..CITY NOTES..

Rev. M. S. Johnson is visiting his family.

Rev. Chas. Jones has returned to Rockport, Ind.

Walter Brown is quite sick at the home of his brother.

The Rev. R F. Hurley lectured at Greencastle this week.

Mrs. Henrietta Morgan, of Chicago, is visiting friends in the city.

The Ministers' Union met at Simpson Chapel at 2 p. m., Wednesday.

The Booker T. Washington literary society of St. Paul's Temple met Friday evening.

Mrs. John Grissoll had a successful operation performed at the Deaconess Hospital.

Robt, son of Mr. Simms of 312 Indiana Ave., is confined to his room with lagrippe.

Harry McClain, brother of Billy McClain is ill at his home in Martindale Ave.

Miss Beatrice Allen, of Madison, has entered Mrs. Blaker's kindergarten training school.

The Ladies' Guild of St. Phillip's mission netted $60 as a result of the musicale given Feb. 6

The East End Needle met at the home of Mrs. Fannie Smith, 411 West Pratt street, Friday afternoon.

The executive board of the Young Men's Prayer Band met at Flanner Guild Wednesday evening.

Try Skin Clear for liver splotches. Nothing better. Elevator 7 S. Meridian street. Knox Hair Parlors.

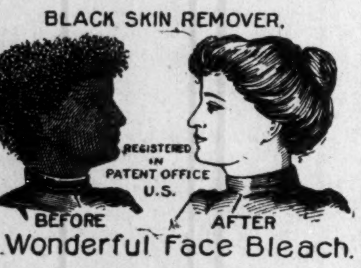
The Willing Workers' Club met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Mary Jamesson, in East Pratt street.

The Hiawatha Popular Club gave a mask ball Wednesday night at the hall at Capitol avenue and Merrill street.

The Woman's Club was entertained Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs Dora Payne, in North Missouri street.

The Alliance Club, No. 2, of Bethel A. M. E. church, met with Mrs Emma Floyd, in Blake street, Thursday afternoon.

BLACK SKIN REMOVER.


REGISTERED IN PATENT OFFICE U.S.
BEFORE
AFTER

A Wonderful Face Bleach.
AND HAIR STRAIGHTENER.

both in a box for $1, or three boxes for $2. Guaranteed to do what we say and to be the "best in the world." One box is all that is required if used as directed.

A WONDERFUL FACE BLEACH.

A PEACH-LIKE complexion obtained if used as directed. Will turn the skin of a black or brown person four or five shades lighter, and a mulatto person perfectly white. In forty-eight hours a shade or two will be noticeable. It does not turn the skin in spots but bleaches out white, the skin remaining beautiful without continual use. Will remove wrinkles, freckles, dark spots, pimples or bumps or black heads, making the skin very soft and smooth. Small pox pits, tan, liver spots removed without harm to the skin. When you get the color you wish, stop using the preparation.

THE HAIR STRAIGHTENER.

that goes in every one dollar box is enough to make anyone's hair grow long and straight, and keeps it from falling out. Highly perfumed and makes the hair soft and easy to comb. Many of our customers say one of our dollar boxes is worth ten dollars, yet we sell it for one dollar a box THE NO-SMELL thrown in free.

Any person sending us one dollar in a letter or Post-Office money order, express money order or registered letter, we will send it through the mail postage prepaid; or if you want it sent C. O. D. it will come by express, 25c. extra.

In any case where it fails to do what we claim we will return the money or send a box free of charge. Packed so that no one will know contents except receiver.

CRANE AND CO.,
122 west Broad Street.
RICHMOND, Va

Mesdames R. C. Brown and Priscilla Chisley are spending two weeks at Frankfort, Ky., the guest of the former's mother.

The church aid circle of Simpson Chapel met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Josephine Phillips, 2026 Martindale avenue.

Miss Bessie White left last Saturday for a trip to Aikens and Asheville, S. C., where she will spend the remainder of the winter.

Ralph William of Cincinnati, O., who was badly injured in the Big 4 wreck near Lebanon, Ind., Dec. 21, was in the city this week.

Mr. L. A. Morris business manager of the Columbian Louisville, Ky., was in the city on business last week and paid The Freeman a call.

FOR SALE—Creole hair braids to match any hair. Knox Hair Parlors rooms 22-23 Big 4 block corner Washington and Meridian.

J. D Howard returned Tuesday from a successful Southern trip in the interest of The Freeman. He left for Dayton, O., Thursday on business.

The Sewing Circle of Wayman Chapel gave an "all nations" social at the home of Mrs. Retta Moss, 338 North Missouri street, Wednesday evening.

Dr. and Mrs. B. J. Morgan have returned from Lexington, Ky, where they were called by the death of Mrs. Morgan's father, the Rev. Thomas Gant.

The second of the series of Lenten services conducted by Julius R. Cox was held at the home of Mrs. Cyrus Allen, in West Twelfth street, Wednesday evening.

Mr. Wm. Lonas left for Knoxville, Tenn., Tuesday where he was called to the bed side of his dying mother. The Freeman sympathizes with him in this time of grief.

The Self-Denial Club of Allen Chapel met Friday afternoon with Mrs. Martha Miller, 1610 Yandes street. The Rose of Sharon Club met Friday afternoon with Mrs. Martha Davis, 1444 Martindale avenue.

Messrs. Benson, Young, Howland, Overton, Valentine and other young men are making an earnest effort to organize a literary society at Second Baptist church Wednesday Feb. 26. Oliver S. Clay will deliver the opening address.

The Enterprise Social Club has reorganized with the following officers: Mrs. Eva McNary, president; Miss Helen Allison, vice-president; Miss Ada Passmore, secretary; Mrs. Nettie Morris, treasurer. The club met with Mrs. Rachel Pickett, in Martindale avenue, Monday.

The Juvenile Stitching Circle of Wayman Chapel gave a Martha Washington tea at the home of Mrs. Susie Lewis, 1956 Yandes street, Saturday from 2 to 7 p. m. Mrs. Sarah Hogan entertained the Sewing Circle of this church at her home, 1534 Martindale avenue, Friday afternoon.

Information Wanted.

Dick Townsend of Decatur, Ind, would like to know the whereabouts of Wm. Stewart who worked for him as cook in 1899

To Graduates Lincoln University.

According to the Resolution of the General Alumni Association, Lincoln University, each Alumnus is requested to immediately send his present address to the Local Secretary, Lincoln University, Chester Co., Pa. By order—General Alumni Association. Rev. Wm. A Creditt, D. D, Pres.; Hon. Jas. S. Lanier, A. M., Sec'y.; P. J. Augustus Coxe, A. B., Local Sec'y.

Muncie Items.

Muncie, Ind, Special.—Miss Ethel Furgeson was called to Portland by the illness and death of her father who was buried Friday. The Masonic Lodge of this city had charge of the funeral Mr. Webster Lyons was called to Springfield, O. by the death of his father The Valentine Social given by the Women Mite Missionary Society Thursday evening at Jackson Street A. M. E church was a decided success. The church was profusely decorated with flags and bunting and souviners of St. Valentine Mr. Allen presided as postmaster at the Valentine booth. Mrs. Omer Knox and Mrs. Margurite Riff at the Lunch booth. Mrs Allen and Harrold at the ice cream booth. Mrs. Norrel sold oranges Quite a neat sum was realized. The Zobo entertainment was given by the Trustees of A. M E church this past week. Mr. Board who was seriously injured by the Huken Park St. Car is said to be improving. The widow of the late John Young left last week for Xenia, O., whither she goes to wed a sweet heart of former days, the wedding is reported to take place there some time this week Mr. Rhoads is ill with Quinsy at his home on S. Proud street. The Whitely young men have organized a Literary in that suberb. Miss Della Evans is visiting friends in the capitol. Miss Bessie Kelly who has been confined to her home with rheumatism is much improved at this time. Rev. Downs is ill at his home on South Hackley 825 with dropsy.

THE ATTRACTIONS.

This is what attractions you find at the Oakwood Sample Room, an elegant furnished Cafe with Public and Private Dining-Room Business Men's Lunch and short orders of all kind in season. An up to date Gymnasium Room, under the management of Lewis Smith, where lessons can be had in boxing and wrestling pool and all kinds of amusement. It cost you nothing to see; so come and be shown through one of the best fitted sample and club rooms in the city. Electric bells to all parts of the house with elevator service, etc.

CLARK BURTON, Proprietor,
214 Indiana Avenue,
Old Phone 689 Brown.

Kenton News.

Kenton, O, Special.—Mr. J. Plummer and A. Hawkins has just completed a neat job of work for the Masonic Temple hear they being the only colored men working their. Miss Edna Childers and Miss Bessie Tales gave a Valentine social last Friday night the 14th and cleared a neat little sum at the A. M. E. church. Mrs. L Daniels is on the sick list this week also Mr. Will Manley. The Baptist church is getting along nicely here and the members are doing good work. Look out for The Freeman next week and get your nickle ready. The A M E church gave a Valentine social Friday night Feb 14 Mr. and Mrs Brown of Philadelphia, Pa., have return to their home after a visited to their mother and father on West North street. Mrs. Prof Daniels is on the sick list this week and also Mr. Olver Childers Now please get ready for The Freeman man for he will be around always on Saturdays.

READ THIS CAREFULLY.

If you are troubled with kinky or curley hair use Ozonized Ox Marrow, it will make your hair straight, soft and beautiful. If you are troubled with Hair falling out, Ozonized Ox Morrow will stop it. If you have Dandruff and itching in the head, Ozonized Ox Marrow will give you instant relief, and make the hair grow. Ozonized Ox Marrow is a hair food and imparts to the hair that healthy life-like appearance, so much desired. Sold over 40 years. Never fails. Warranted harmless. Send us 50 cents and we will ship you a bottle express paid. Address Ozonized Ox Marrow Co., 76 Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Officers Elected.

Troy, Ala., Special.—Troy Truck & Ax Co No 2, held their annual meeting Tuesday night Feb. 11 The following officers were elected for the year 1902. Mr. Jas. L. McClure, president; Mr. Thomas Jefferson, vice president; Mr. A. A Wiley, secretary; Mr. J. E Pearson, recording secretary; Mr. I. H. Taylor, foreman; Mr. Jack Jones, first assistant foreman; Mr Gus Love, second assistant foreman; Mr Hardy Davis, Treasurer; finance committee Mr. Jas Flowers, Mr. W. H. Wallace and Mr. Green Penington.

STENOGRAPHER WANTED.

A first-class stenographer and typewriter. One versed in book-keeping and writes a good long hand, preferred. Address with reference stating experience: H. J. Green, box 116, Charlotte, N. C.

Vapor City News

Hot Springs, Ark., Special.—The 6th Annual Bohemian Fair begins at Roanoke Baptist church March 10, Rev. J. W. Jackson pastor. Go to Mr Anderson the shoemaker on Ozark street and have your shoes repaired. The Grand Carnival at Visitor's Chapel A. M. E. church will commence March 17, lasting through the week. There will be an interesting program rendered each night; Rev. P W. Wall pastor. Rev. R B. Macon, presiding elder of the Morrillton district of the A M E Zion church held his first quarterly conference last week at Walters Chapel A. M. E. church of which Rev. M. F. Fulford is pastor. Something over $25 was reported to the conference There will be a grand entertainment known as "Nail Contest" given at the Auditorium Monday night Feb. 24, for the benefit of Walters Chapel A M. E Zion church. E Woolridge and M Jeffries, managers; F. Woolridge, chairman of committee of arrangement; Rev. M. F. Fulford, pastor Young People's Christian Endeavor meets at Visitors Chapel A. M. E. church every Sunday at 4 p m. The 40 Kid Club gave another one of their monthly entertainment at Pleasant Hall last week which proved to be a very swell affair as usual. Ronoake Baptist church financial report for 1901 was over $2,000

Flanner & Buchanan,
THE LEADING
FUNERAL DIRECTORS
320 N. Illinois St., bet. New York and Vermont St
BEST SERVICE FAIR PRICES

The Negro at the Charleston Exposition.

The Negro-phobe and the Negrophile may both profit by a visit to the Negro Building Here is food for reflection and ample opportunity to study the achievements of the race. No Negro need feel ashamed of what is here for they are in many respects most admirable. Wook work, iron work, needle work and chirography, it is all most creditable and encouraging. The Negro inventor is in evidence with a rapid firing cannon that has earned the commendation of high authorities. The Negro carver with a pocket knife as almost his only tool, work wonders in horn and wood. The great schools send evidences of the education they are disseminating and are proud. No student of the so-called problem, can afford to miss this object lesson.

HAPPININGS IN OLD KENTUCKY.

Do-as-you-please Club Entertains—A General Gleaning of News.

Paducah, Ky., Special.

Prof. Hillman's orchestra will, on the 20th day of March, make their annual trip to Cairo, Ill. The flying steamer, Dick Fowler, will make the small rate of $1.00 for the round trip. Everybody is invited and a good time is assured all. Mrs. Jessie Dickinson, of Hopkinsville, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Lucy Dickinson. Miss Irene Ray, now attending the State Normal, at Frankfort, is progressing nicely. Mrs. Mattie Montgomery, of W. Tennessee street, expects a visit from her sister, Mrs. Helen Hightower, of St. Louis. Bert Holmes, who has been under the treatment of Dr V. J. Davis, is able to be out. Ruthie, the little infant of Mr. and Mrs Bud Lewis, of Mechanicsburg, died the 16th inst. Presiding Elder Burks is on the sick list. Eugene Houston, of Memphis, Tenn., spent several days in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Meyers, of Clark street. Mrs Martha Frank, of Clifton, Tenn., is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Mattie Montgomery, of N. Tennessee street. Mrs. Fanny Davis, a devout member of the Washington Street church, died on the 12th inst. She leaves one child The Knights of Pythias meets the second and fourth Wednesday nights in each month. Mrs. Anna Bates, of Boston, who filled a two weeks' engagement at the "Kentucky" with the Wilbur Opera company, is now in Frankfort. Mrs. Bates made many friends here. G H. Burks is expected home from Hopkinsville on the 22d. Mrs. Josie Atkins departed this life on the 7th inst., at St. Paul, Minn. The "Do-as-you-please" club gave a swell entertainment at Odd Fellows' hall several evenings ago. The deportment of the club certainly entitles them to the sole right of copyrighting their title. Prof. Hillman's orchestra furnished music for the occasion. Rev Morris is very much improved. Reese Jackson has opened a first class restaurant at Tenth and Burnett street. Mrs. Maggie Byers, of Harris street, is able to be out. The Yankee fire kindler kindles your fire without kindling; for sale by F. K. Sanders and R. C. McClure. Mrs. Lucy Dixon and little Miss Fannie Mae Dixon, of Plunkett street, left Wednesday to visit relatives in Hopkinsville. Dan'l Criss, of S. Eighth street, and Miss Ruhie Robinson, of S Eighth street, are on the sick list. Chas. Smith of Harrison street, is able to be out after a slight illness. Mrs. J W Hawkins is still improving. Mrs. Viola Proctor, of S Seventh street, Miss Lillie Frazier, of S. Ninth street, are improving Arnold Grogan, of N Eighth street, Rev. J. J. Jacobs and Miss Lizzie Young, of Mechanicsburg, and Andrew J. McKinley, of Washington street, are on the sick list Mrs. Mahala Clapton, of Clark street, is ill. John Meyers is convalescent. Mrs. Rachel Buckner, of Thirteenth street, fell and sprained her knee. Geo. Sherman, of Harrison street, is confined his bed. Mrs Mary Lee Overby, a school teacher in the city schools, is a reader of The Freeman. Mrs. Frankie Campbell is able to be out. Bob. Beck, who was hurt in wreck, is improving. Marshall & Winphey will be pleased to see their friends at the "Cottage Grove," on Lower Court street.

In Greater New York.

New York City, Special—The eighth grand annual ball and ladies reception of the Hotel Bellman's Beneficial Association, occurred on the evening of Feb 10th, at Grand Central Palace It was an affair of enormous proportions and was a brilliant success. Music was furnished by the combined orchestras of Profs. Craig and Weston. Among those present on this occasion were: Robert Harlem Walker, who was voted the best dressed gentleman; Clarence Gibson, Jr., Misses Bessie Reynolds, Georgia Smith, Bettie Jackson, Wm. Reynolds, Jeff. Jackson, Mrs. Rosa Johnson, Mrs. Maud Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Henry, O. Crump, Mr and Mrs. Jordan, Miss Alpena Davis, Miss Florina Cassell, Oscar R Cassell, F. E Turner, Misses Katie Jones and Georgia Merritt, Horace Milburn, T. W. White J. S. Irby, Misses Lizzie Evans, Beatrice Evans and Miss L Vancleafe, Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins, Miss Maggie Taylor, Chas. W. Heaton, of Indianapolis; Billy Gibson, Dan Avery, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Bivins, Richard DeCroom, Miss G. Treadwell, Miss L. Montague, T. W. Ringold, J. C. F. White, Miss S. Pitts, Mrs. Mamie E. James, W. S Brown, of Indianapolis; Henry Plummer, of Muncie, Ind.; Mrs. M. B. Brooks, Misses L. H. Harris, Susie Taylor and A. Mitchell, Jordan V. Luchar, Miss Laura A. Tucker, Miss Carrie Bailey, Miss Lizzie Hughes. Paul Orpegan, Geo. Ledbetter, Miss Mattie Wilkes, Mrs. Charles L. Moore, Miss R. Johnson, the Misses Spencer, L Folkes, Miss S. Smallwood, M. C. Smith, Wm. H Turner, Wm. E. Hunt, Mrs. Mary Woody, Chas. Cassell, Mrs Ira Jones, Mrs. Margaret Cardwell, Miss Adella Gilmore and Miss Ada Coleman, who was voted the best dressed lady present.

THE STAG
413 INDIANA AVENUE.
—DEALER IN—
Cigars, Tobacco, Periodicals and Music.
FIRST-CLASS
Shining Parlor
Old Phone 616—Brown
SHELTON & TAYLOR, Props.

The Douglass Club
330 West Michigan Street.
SELF-SUPPORTING.
FIRST CLASS in all PARTICULARS.
GIVE US A CALL.
JAMES NICHOLSON,
President.
ED. LEWIS, Treasurer.
FRED LEWIS, Sec'y and Manager.
First Class Cafe.

HAIR SWITCHES

Like cut 22 inches long, short stem made of black kinky hair. Sent postpaid on receipt of

$1.00

30c buys a pair of black kinky hair Braids 16 inches long.

30c buys a Single Braid kinky hair 16 inches long.

Bangs Hair Pin and Ornaments of every description.

Most complete line of hair goods in this country for

Colored People

Send stamp for Well Illustrated Catalogue.

T. W. TAYLOR
59 Congres St., DETROIT, MICH.
[In writing please mention The Freeman]

SANTAL-MIDY
In 48 hours Gonorrhœa and discharges from the urinary organs, arrested by Santal Midy Capsules without inconvenience. Price $1. of ALL Druggists, or P. O. Box 2081, New York.
MIDY

THE MARKET

Cotton.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 15.—Cotton steady. Sales, 2,700 bales. Ordinary, 6 15-16c; good ordinary, 7 7-15c; low middling 7 13-16c; middling, 8 3-16c; good middling, 8 9-16c; middling fair, 9 5-16c. Receipts, 4,456 bales; stock, 354,121 bales.

New York, Feb. 15.—Cotton—Spot closed quiet at 1-16c higher; middling uplands, 8 13-16c; middling gulf, 9 1-16c. Sales, none.

New Orleans, Feb. 17.—Cotton firm. Sales, 3,600 bales. Ordinary, 7 5 16c; good ordinary, 7 7-16c; low middling, 7 13-16c; middling, 8 3 16c; good middling, 8 9-16c; middling fair, 9 5-16c. Receipts, 7,760 bales; stock, 350,502 bales.

New York, Feb. 17—Cotton—Spot closed quiet; middling uplands, 8 3-16c; middling gulf, 8 9-16c. Sales none.

New Orleans, Feb. 18.—Cotton firm. Sales, 3,950 bales. Ordinary, 6 15-16c; good ordinary, 7 7-16c; low middling, 7 13-16c; middling, 8 3-16c; good middling, 8 9-16c; middling fair, 8 5 16c. Receipts, 8,416 bales; stock, 352,501 bales.

New York, Feb. 18.—Cotton—Spot closed quiet; middling uplands, 8 3-16c; middling gulf, 9 11-16c. Sales 437 bales.

In the Future—First Plutocrat—"You've known him a long time, haven't you?" Second Plutocrat—"Yes; we were millionaires together."—Puck.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce

Lewis G. Akin

as a candidate for County Recorder, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce

Henry W. Tutewiler

as a candidate for Coroner of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce

William E. Davis

as a candidate for Clerk of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce

Fred K. Shepard

as a candidate for Auditor of Marion county, subject to the decison of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce

E. Octavus Mack

as a candidate for Justice of the Peace of Center township, Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce

E J. Robison

as a candidate for County Treasurer, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce

Clinton L. Hare

as a candidate for Clerk of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce

John C. Ruckelshaus

as a candidate for Prosecuting Attorney of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce

John McGregor

as a candidate for County Commissioner of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce

Robert Metzger

as a candidate for Sheriff of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce

A. W. Brayton

as a candidate for Coroner of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce

Daniel L. Brown

as a candidate for Criminal Judge of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce

Cyrus J. Clark

as a candidate for Auditor of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce

Joseph R. Morgan

as a candidate for Representative of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce

Oran N. Muir

as a candidate for Representative of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce

Larz A. Whitcomb

as a candidate for Joint Senator for Marion and Morgan counties, subject to the decision of the Republican nominating convention.

We are authorized to announce

Wm. P. Regan

as a candidate for Joint Senator for Marion and Morgan counties, subject to the decision of the Republican nominating convention.

We are authorized to announce

Chas. W. Brown

as a candidate for Representative of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce

Edward S. R. Seguin

as a candidate for Auditor of Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce

B. A. Richardson,

as a candidate for Representative for Legislature from Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election Mar. 14.

We are authorized to announce

Joseph R Miller

as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, Center township Marion county, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce

William Irvin

as a candidate for Prosecuting Attorney of Marion county subject to the decision of the Republican primary election.